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OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

MONDAY, May 10th, 1858.

The members elect of Common Council met this day, in pursuance of the Fifth Section of the Act of Consolidation, at the Council Chamber, in Independence Hall, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

John D. Miles, Clerk of the preceding Council, called the members to order, and proceeded to call the Roll, when the members elect presented credentials of election as follows:

1st Ward, Frederick Simon,
Christian C. Server,
John Krider,
Amos Carson.

2d Ward, Thomas Manderfield,
Richard V. Brenan,
Joseph Megary,
George B. Miller,
William C. Kelley.

3d Ward, John Thompson,
Franklin McIlvain,
Nicholas Walsh.

4th Ward, Alfred Day,
Charles McDonough,
David McClean,
John G. Schoch.

5th Ward, William M. Baird,
Caleb S. Wright,
James M'Cahen.

6th Ward, Philip B. Mingle,
Osborn Conrad,
Samuel C. Cooper.

7th Ward, Peter Bobb, Sr.,
Joseph Shermer,
Charles Harbert,
Lewis S. Heins.

8th Ward, Alexander L. Hodgdon,
William H. French,
Robert Luther.

9th Ward, Charles A. Rubieam,
J. P. Wetherill,
Samuel H. Case.

10th Ward, William P. Hacker,
William L. Dennis,
A. B. Cooley.

11th Ward, Wilson Kerr,
George B. Epler,
John F. Mascher.

12th Ward, Abraham Nippes,
Thomas W. Steelling,
Isaiah P. Fitler.

13th Ward, John Ketcham,
Jonathan Bullock,
Samuel Andrews,
George W. Gamble.

14th Ward, Charles B. Trego,
William Conrad,
Jonathan H. Pugh,
Jacob S. Fish.

15th Ward, Hiram Miller,
John J. Kersey,
Thomas Potter,
Robert Hutchinson,
George F. Gordon.

16th Ward, Wm. F. Gillingham,
Solomon Wagner,
Mahlon H. Dickinson,
Charles Engard.

17th Ward, Patrick Quinn,
John Holmes,
Patrick McBride,
James Gay.

18th Ward, Benjamin H. Brown,
Jacob Moyer,
Richard Wildey,
Ahab Hunter.

19th Ward, Joel H. Rothermel,
James House,
John Doerr,
Joseph Roats,
E. Pancoast Morris.

20th Ward, Nathan W. Ellis,
James Russel,
Meyers C. Fisher,
Joseph Manuel,
George W. Simons.

21st Ward, Adam S. Uber,
C. Thompson Jones,
John Bowker.

22d Ward, Matthias Haas,
Alfred C. Harmer,
William R. Wister.

23d Ward, William W. Smedley,
Edward S. Handy,
John R. Savage,
William B. Comley.

24th Ward, Samuel W. Cattell,
John R. Gheen,
Joseph S. Riley.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the credentials of the members, which are as follows:—

FIRST WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

FREDERICK SIMON, Esq.

Sir:—At an Election held on the fourth day of May, for Ward officers, you were duly elected as a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, from First Ward for the ensuing year.

John Franklin,
Judge.

Walter F. Evans,
Cornelius Alexander,
Clerks.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

CHRISTIAN C. SERVER, Esq.

Sir:—At an Election held the fourth inst. for Ward officers, you were duly elected as a member of Common

Council of the City of Philadelphia, from First Ward, for the ensuing year.

John Franklin,

Judge.

Walter F. Evans,
Cornelius Alexander,

Clerks.

In the matter of 1st Ward, see Certificate, filed at Office of Common Pleas.

1st Ward.

John Krider, rec'd.	.	1711 votes.
Amos Carson, “	.	1706 “
John Alexander,	.	1559 “
Henry Cope,	.	1577 “

Certified from the Record.

Thomas O. Webb, Jr., Pro'ry Clerk.

SECOND WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

TO THOMAS MANDERFIELD, Esq.

Sir:—At an Election held the 4th day of May, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of 2nd Ward.

John Brazier,
John H. Mariner,
Peter Dick,
Merrit Gibson,
Geo. E. Johnson,
John McManus,
D. J. Robertson,
John Marlow,

Officers of Election.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

Mr. GEORGE B. MILLER.

Sir:—At an Election held on the 4th day of May, 1858, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of 2nd Ward.

John Brazer,
D. J. Robertson,
Merrit Gibson,
Michael O'hara,
John McManus,
Peter Dick,
Geo. E. Johnson,
George Williams,
John H. Mariner,
John Hanly.

Officers of Election.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

To RICHARD V. BRENNAN.

Sir:—At an Election held the 4th day of May, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of Second Ward.

John Brazer,
D. J. Robertson,
Michael Otwell,
John McManns,
Peter Dick,
George Williams,
John Marlow,
John H. Mariner,
John Hanly,
Merrit Gibson,
Geo. E. Johnson,

Officers of Election.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1855.

Mr. JOSEPH MEGARY.

Sir:—At an Election held on the 4th day of May, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of Second Ward.

John Brazier,
D. J. Robertson,
Merrit Gibson,
Geo. E. Johnson,
Peter Dick,
George Williams,
John H. Mariner,
John McManus,

Officers of Election.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

To WILLIAM C. KELLY.

Sir:—At an Election held the 4th day of May, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of Second Ward.

John Brazier,
John H. Mariner,
Peter Dick,
George Williams,
D. J. Robertson,
Merrit Gibson,
John McManus,
John Marlow,
Geo. E. Johnson,

Officers of Election.

THIRD WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. JOHN THOMPSON.

Sir :—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected Common Councilman of Third Ward in and for the City of Philadelphia.

J. T. Hickman,
Philip Cope,
Patrick Dempsey,
W. C. Wrigley,
Benj. Holbrook,

*Return Judges.**Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.*

MR. FRANKLIN McILVAIN.

Sir :—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected Common Councilman of Third Ward in and for the City of Philadelphia.

J. T. Hickman,
Philip Cope,
Patrick Dempsey,
W. C. Wrigley,
Benj. Holbrook,

*Return Judges.**Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.*

MR. NICHOLAS WALSH.

Sir :—At a General Election held on the 4th instant,

you were duly elected Common Councilman of Third Ward in and for the City of Philadelphia.

J. T. Hickman,
Philip Cope,
Patrick Dempsey,
W. C. Wrigley,
Benj. Holbrook,

Return Judges.

FOURTH WARD.

Philadelphia, May 4th, 1858.

MR. ALFRED DAY.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly Elected a member of Common Council of the Fourth Ward for the ensuing year.

Rudolph Hampton,
John Kelley,
Francis Clark,
J. Nathans,
Edmund Ryan,
Wm. Bradley,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 4th, 1858.

MR. CHARLES McDONOUGH.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant,

you were duly Elected a member of Common Council of the Fourth Ward for the ensuing year.

Rudolph Hampton,
John Kelley,
Francis Clark,
J. Nathans,
Edmund Ryan,
Wm. Bradley,
Robert Porter,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 4th, 1858.

MR. JOHN G. SCHUCH.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly Elected a member of Common Council of the Fourth Ward for the ensuing year.

Rudolph Hampton,
John Kelley,
Francis Clark,
J. Nathans,
Edmund Ryan,
Wm. Bradley,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 4th, 1858.

MR. DAVID McCLEAN.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly Elected a member of Common Council of the Fourth Ward for the ensuing year.

Rudolph Hampton,
John Kelley,
Francis Clark,
J. Nathans,
Edmund Ryan,
Wm. Bradley,

Return Judges.

FIFTH WARD.

TO JAMES M'CAHEN, Esq.

We do certify that, at an election, held May 4th, 1858, that William M. Baird, Caleb S. Wright, and James M'Cahen, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council in the Fifth Ward as aforesaid, and that we therefore do and hereby declare you duly elected to the Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this Sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Robert F. Christy,
Charles F. Jones,
Thomas McKnight,
John Brunet, Jr.,
Louis C. Armstrong,
Chas. M'Gonigle,
Officers of Election.

TO WILLIAM M. BAIRD, Esq.

We do certify that, at an Election held May 4th, 1858, that William M. Baird, Caleb S. Wright, and James M'Cahen had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council in the Fifth Ward as aforesaid, and that we therefore do and hereby declare you duly elected to the Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Robert F. Christy,
John Brunet, Jr.,
Thomas McKnight,
Charles F. Jones,
Louis C. Armstrong,
Chas. M'Gonigle,
Officers of Election.

SIXTH WARD.

We do certify that Osborn Conrad had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as aforesaid, and that therefore we and hereby do declare duly elected to the Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this Fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Thomas O'Donnell,
E. Damai,
John J. Hare,
E. N. Scherr, Jr.,
N. T. Baroux,
G. Goebel,
N. B. Soby,
W. H. Carpenter,

Officers of Election.

We do certify that Samuel C. Cooper had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as aforesaid, and that therefore we and hereby do declare him duly elected to the Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this Fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Thomas O'Donnell,
E. Damai,
John J. Hare,
E. N. Scherr, Jr.,
N. T. Baroux,
G. Goebel,
N. B. Soby,
W. H. Carpenter,

Officers of Election.

We do certify that Philip Mingle had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as aforesaid, and that therefore we and hereby do declare him duly elected to the Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this Fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Thomas O'Donnell,
E. Damai,
John J. Hare,
E. N. Scherr, Jr.,
N. T. Baroux,
G. Goebel,
N. B. Soby,
W. H. Carpenter,

Officers of Election.

SEVENTH WARD.

We do certify that Peter Bobb, Sr., Joseph Shermer, Charles Harbert, Lewis S. Heins, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as aforesaid, and that therefore were and hereby are declared duly elected members for Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this Fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Thomas Stewart,
Joseph McCall,
James Houseman,
Thomas Naulty,
John F. Shermer,
William B. Madara,

Officers of Election.

EIGHTH WARD.

Election Returns of the Eighth Ward for Common Council, held May 4th, 1858.

Alex. L. Hodgdon received: 1st Precinct, 270; 2d, 146; 3d, 155; 4th, 227; 5th, 210; 6th, 145.

Certified from the Record that Alexander L. Hodgdon has been elected a member of the Common Council from the 8th Ward.

J. Haviland.

Philadelphia, May 5, 1858.

ROBERT LUTHER, Esq.

Sir:—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected Common Councilman for the Eighth Ward.

David Murray,
Geo. Mooney,
Jacob R. Murphy,
William Swift,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5, 1858.

WILLIAM H. FRENCH, Esq.,

Sir:—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected Common Councilman for the Eighth Ward.

David Murray,
Geo. Mooney,
Jacob R. Murphy,
William Swift,

Return Judges.

NINTH WARD.

Common Pleas.

At an Election held May 4th, 1858, in the Ninth Ward, for Common Council, Charles A. Rubicam was duly elected a member of the Common Council. Certified from the Records, May 10, 1858.

J. Haviland.

Philadelphia, May 5, 1858.

SAMUEL H. CASE, Esq.

At an Election held in the Ninth Ward on Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, you were duly elected a member of Common Council for said Ward.

John R. Downing,
Thomas G. Bass,

Judges.

Charles D. Lybrand,

Clerk.

Philadelphia, May 5, 1858.

To J. P. WETHERILL, Esq.

At an Election held in the Ninth Ward on Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, you were duly elected a member of Common Council for said Ward.

John R. Downing,
Thomas G. Bass,

Judges.

Charles D. Lybrand,

Clerk.

TENTH WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

WM. P. HACKER, ESQ.

Sir:—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected member of Common Council for Tenth Ward, for the City of Philadelphia.

Joseph Cooper,
Samuel Williamson,
Mahlon Ortlip,
Samuel Hancock,
Charles L. Wolff,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

WM. L. DENNIS, ESQ.

Sir:—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected member of Common Council for Tenth Ward for the City of Philadelphia.

Joseph Cooper,
Samuel Williamson,
Mahlon Ortlip,
Samuel Hancock,
Charles L. Wolff,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

A. B. COOLEY, ESQ.

Sir:—At a General Election held on the 4th instant,

you were duly elected member of Common Council for Tenth Ward for the City of Philadelphia.

Joseph Cooper,
Samuel Williamson,
Mahlon Ortlip,
Samuel Hancock,
Charles L. Wolff,

Return Judges.

ELEVENTH WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

Mr. JOHN F. MASCHER.

Sir:—At an Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of Eleventh Ward.

James Clifton,
David Shive,
W. H. Shourds,
Eli Goldsmith,
Jeirudus Emmich,
John Batchelor,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

Mr. GEORGE B. EPLER.

Sir:—At an Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of Eleventh Ward.

James Clifton,
David Shive,
W. H. Shourds,
Eli Goldsmith,
Jeirudus Emmich,
John Batchelor,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. WILSON KERR.

Sir:—At an Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected a member of Common Council of Eleventh Ward.

James Clifton,
David Shive,
W. H. Shourds,
Eli Goldsmith,
Jeirudus Einnich,
John Batchelor,

Return Judges.

TWELFTH WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

THOMAS W. STEELLING, ESQ.

Sir:—At an Election held on Tuesday, May 4th 1858, you were elected a member of Common Council for Twelfth Ward.

H. Schell,
Thomas Burr,
George Bartlett,
Charles R. Abel,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

ABRAHAM NIPPES, ESQ.

Sir:—At an election held on Tuesday, May 4th 1858,

you were duly elected a member of Common Council for Twelfth Ward.

H. Schell,
Thos. Burr,
George Bartlett,
Charles R. Abel,

Return Judges.

THIRTEENTH WARD.

And we do certify, that John Ketcham, Jonathan Bullock, Samuel Andrews, George W. Gamble, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council of Thirteenth Ward as aforesaid, and they therefore were and hereby are declared duly elected members of Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Christian Walter,
Albert O. Cox,
R. W. Shoemaker,
John B. Green,
James Cannon,

Officers of Election.

FOURTEENTH WARD.

And we do certify, that Charles B. Trego, William Conrad, Jonathan H. Pugh, Jacob S. Fish, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as aforesaid, and that they are therefore and hereby declared duly elected members of Common Council of the Fourteenth Ward for the said City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto

set our hands and seals this the 5th day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Mortimer L. Johnson,
John Johnson,
Geo. H. Naphreys,
John W. Tyson,
C. Black Aararsen,
W. C. Claghorn,

Officers of Election.

FIFTEENTH WARD.

We do certify that Hiram Miller, John J. Kersey, Thomas Potter, Robert Hutchinson, Geo. F. Gordon, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Councilmen as aforesaid, and that they therefore are and hereby declared duly elected as members of the Common Council for the Fifteenth Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

James L. Wright,
F. A. Leyden,
James Maguire,
James Osborn,
Josiah Danfield,

Officers of Election.

SIXTEENTH WARD.

This is to certify that at an Election held on Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of

Philadelphia, Wm. F. Gillingham was duly elected a member of Common Council to represent said Ward.

In Testimony Whereof, We have affixed our hands and seals the day and year above written.

Wm. W. Sharp,

Return Judge.

James Mahony,

Clerk.

This is to certify that, at an election held on Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, Mahlon H. Dickinson was duly elected a member of Common Council to represent said Ward.

In Testimony Whereof, We have affixed our hands and seals the day and year above written.

Wm. W. Sharp,

Return Judge.

James Mahony,

Clerk.

This is to certify that, at an election held on Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, Charles Enyard was duly elected a member of Common Council to represent said Ward.

In Testimony Whereof, We have affixed our hands and seals the day and year above written.

Wm. W. Sharp,

Return Judge.

James Mahony,

Clerk.

This is to certify that, at an Election held on Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of

Philadelphia, Solomon Wagner was duly elected a member of Common Council to represent said Ward.

In Testimony Whereof, We have affixed our hands and seals the day and year above written.

Wm. W. Sharp,

Return Judge.

James Mahony,

Clerk.

SEVENTEENTH WARD.

We do certify, that Patrick Quinn had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council of Seventeenth Ward as aforesaid, and that we therefore do hereby declare him duly elected for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

William Lawson,

George Fisher,

Rodger Dimond,

Thomas Kean,

Patrick Gunn,

John Quinn,

Charles Neill,

Return Judges.

We do certify that John Holmes had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council of Seventeenth Ward as aforesaid, and that we therefore do hereby declare him duly elected for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

William Lawson,
George Fisher,
Rodger Dimond,
Thomas Kean,
Patrick Gunn,
John Quinn,
Charles Neill,

Return Judges.

We do certify, that Patrick McBride had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council of Seventeenth Ward as aforesaid, and that we therefore do hereby declare him duly elected for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

William Lawson,
George Fisher,
Rodger Dimond,
Thomas Kean,
Patrick Gunn,
John Quinn,
Charles Neill,

Return Judges.

We do certify that James Gay had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council of Seventeenth Ward as aforesaid, and that we therefore do hereby declare him duly elected for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto

set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

William Lawson,
George Fisher,
Rodger Dimond,
Thomas Kean,
Patrick Gunn,
John Quinn,
Charles Neill,

Return Judges.

EIGHTEENTH WARD.

And we do certify, that Benjamin H. Brown, Jacob Moyer, Richard Wildey, and Ahab Hunter, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council of the Eighteenth Ward as aforesaid, and that therefore they are hereby declared duly elected for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

W. H. Einwichter,
John M. Watt,
Charles S. Turgy,
Joseph Vaughan,
J. Ross Remble,
Henry Vanderslice,
Geo. S. Williams,
William Robison,
Anthony LeBon,
George Cornell,
Joseph Subers,
Jos. Swartz,

Officers of Election.

NINETEENTH WARD.

And we do certify, that Joel H. Rothermel, James House, John Doerr, Joseph Roats, and E. Pancoast Morris, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as aforesaid, and that they therefore are hereby declared duly elected as Common Councilmen for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this 5th day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Saml. Jenkins,
Alex. Patton,
Jas. Moffet, Jr.
John L. Durdine,
William Jachtmann,
Wm. G. Brown,
James Slemmer,
Ed. McDonough,
Thomas D. Brady,
Joseph Neal,
G. K. Burke,
John D. Sickel,
William McKinny,
Joseph L. Bower,
John D. Shibe,

Return Judges

TWENTIETH WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. GEO. W. SIMONS.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant,

you were duly elected member of Common Council of the Twentieth Ward.

Moses Leary,
J. M. Post,
John Bommerschein,
George Wricker,
Thomas Ryan,
Peter Ryan,
Albert G. Forsyth,
Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858

MR. JOS. MANUEL, JR.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected member of the Common Council of the Twentieth Ward.

Thomas Ryan.
J. M. Post,
John Bommerschein,
George Wricker,
Peter Ryan,
Albert G. Forsyth,
Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. MEYERS C. FISHER.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly Elected a member of Common Council of the Twentieth Ward.

Moses Leary,
Thomas Ryan,
J. M. Post,
John Bommerschein,
George Wricker,
Peter Ryan,
Albert G. Forsyth,
Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. JAMES RUSSELL.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly Elected a member of Common Council of the Twentieth Ward.

Moses Leary,
Thomas Ryan,
Wm. Megonegal,
J. M. Post,
John Bommersheim,
George Wricker,
Peter Ryan,
Albert G. Forsyth,
John Heisley,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. NATHAN W. ELLIS.

Sir :—At a Municipal Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected member of Common Council for the Twentieth Ward.

Thomas Ryan,
Moses Leary,
J. M. Post,
John Bommersheim,
George Wricker,
Peter Ryan,
Albert G. Forsyth,

Return Judges.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

Mr. JOHN BOWKER.

Sir:—This is to certify that at an Election held the 4th day of May, you were duly elected Common Councilman for the Twenty First Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

Israel V. James,
Ira Jones,
William H. Singer,
J. M. Keech,
Adam Strang,
George W. Lake,

*Judges.**Philadelphia, May 4th, 1858.*

Mr. ADAM S. UBER.

Sir:—This is to certify that at an Election held this 4th day of May 1858, you were duly elected Common Councilman for the Twenty First Ward, City of Philadelphia.

Israel V. James,
Ira Jones,
William H. Singer,
J. M. Keech,
Adam Strang,
George W. Lake,

*Judges.**Philadelphia, May 4th, 1858.*

Mr. CHARLES THOMSON JONES.

Sir:—This is to certify, that at an Election held on the fourth day of May 1858, you were duly elected Common

Councilman for the Twenty First Ward, City of Philadelphia.

Israel V. James,
Ira Jones,
William H. Singer,
J. M. Keech,
Adam Strang,
George W. Lake,
Judges.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

Philadelphia, May 4, 1858.

TO WM. R. WISTER.

Sir:—At a General Election held in the Twenty-second Ward on the 4th instant, you were duly elected a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia for the Twenty-second Ward.

Christopher Simon,
Eli Rorer,
John Allen,
P. H. Coulter,
Joseph Scheetz,
George W. Idell,
Robert Worrell,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 4, 1858.

TO ALFRED E. HARMER.

Sir:—At a General Election held in the Twenty-second Ward on the 4th instant, you were duly elected a member

of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia for the Twenty-second Ward.

Christopher Simon,
Eli Rorer,
John Allen,
P. H. Coulter,
Joseph Scheetz,
George W. Idell,
Robert Worrell,

Return Judges.

Philadelphia, May 4, 1858.

TO MATTHIAS HAAS.

Sir:—At a General Election held in the Twenty-second Ward on the 4th instant, you were duly elected a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia for the Twenty-second Ward.

Christopher Simon,
Eli Rorer,
John Allen,
P. H. Coulter,
Joseph Scheetz,
George W. Idell,
Robert Worrell,

Return Judges.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

We do certify, that John R. Savage had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council in First District as aforesaid, and that we therefore swear and hereby do

declare him duly elected to said office for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia. (First Division.)

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

Chas. B. Gilbert
Wm. F. Boucher,
Allen Dyer,
William Dedaken,
William Struble,
Jesse Duffield,
Laban L. Smith,
Wm. J. Warner,
Samuel Hilles,

Officers of Election.

We do certify, that William W. Smedley had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council in Second Division as aforesaid, and that we therefore swear and hereby do declare him duly elected to fill said office, for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

Chas. B. Gilbert,
Wm. F. Boucher,
Allen Dyer,
William Dedaken,
William Struble,
Jesse Duffield,
Laban L. Smith,
William J. Warner,
Samuel Hilles,

Officers of Election.

And we do certify, that Edward S. Handy had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council as

aforesaid, and that therefore we hereby do declare him duly elected to fill said office for said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Chas. B. Gilbert,
Wm. F. Boucher,
Allen Dyer,
William Dedaken,
William Struble,
Jesse Duffield,
Laban L. Smith,
Wm. J. Warner,
Samuel Hilles,

Officers of Election.

And we do certify, that Wm. B. Comly, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Council Fourth District as aforesaid, and that therefore we hereby do declare him duly elected to fill said office for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Chas. B. Gilbert,
Wm. F. Boucher,
Allen Dyer,
William Dedaken,
William Struble,
Jesse Duffield,
Laban L. Smith,
Wm. J. Warner,
Samuel Hilles,

Officers of Election.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

We do certify that Samuel W. Cattell, John R. Gheen, and Joseph S. Riley, had the highest number of votes polled for Common Councilmen in the Twenty-fourth Ward as aforesaid, and that they therefore are and hereby are declared duly elected members of the Common Council for the said Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

In Testimony Whereof, We, the Judges, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Wm. De Hart,
Joseph Ralston,
Isaac Heston,
John W. Myers,
A. W. Suplee,
A. A. Lister,
John L. Frailey,
George W. Smith,

Officers of Election.

Council then proceeded to the nomination and election of a President.

Mr. Kelly nominated Alfred Day.

Mr. Conrad nominated Charles B. Trego.

On motion of Mr. Hacker the nominations were closed.

Messrs. Hacker and Handy were appointed Tellers.

Council then proceeded to vote *viva voce* for President.

The tellers reported that eighty one votes had been cast, of which fifty-nine voted for Charles B. Trego, to wit:

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickerson, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchin-

son, Jones, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, and Wister.

And twenty-two voted for Alfred Day, to wit:

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McClean, McDonough, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh and Wright.

Messrs. Day and Trego declined voting.

Charles B. Trego, having received the highest number of votes, was declared duly elected President.

Upon taking the Chair he was affirmed by Mr. Day.

The Roll being called, the following gentlemen appeared before the Clerk's desk, and were duly sworn or affirmed by the President:

Messrs. Walsh, Brenan, Krider, Carson, Manderfield, Kelly, Server, Megary, Thompson, Schoch, McDonough, McClean, Day, M'Cahen, Wright, Bobb, Heins, Hodgdon, Fidler, Hacker, Steelling, Nippes, Cooley, Andress, Potter, Simons, Wagner, McBride, Gay, Holmes, Fisher, Jones, Roats, Doerr, Russel, Hunter, Moyer, House, Bowker, Rothermel, Savage, Wildey, Handy, Manuel, Haas, Gheen, Mascher, Shermer, Kerr, Brown, Geo. B. Miller, Harbert, Simon, Mingle, Cooper, Conrad, Dennis, Wetherill, Rubicam, French, Case, Hutchinson, Fish, Bullock, Kersey, Gamble, Morris, Quinn, Ketcham, Ellis, Enyard, Uber, Gillingham, Dickerson, Riley, Hiram Miller, William Conrad, Luther, Smedley, Pugh, Harmer, Epler, Cattell, Wister, Comly, McIlvain, Trego, Gordon.

Council proceeded to the nomination and election of a Chief Clerk and an Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Mascher

Nominated John D. Miles for Clerk, and Thomas W. Duffield for Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Wildey

Nominated William F. Small for Chief Clerk, and J. Barclay Harding for Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the nominations be closed.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Messrs. Hacker and Handy as tellers to conduct the election.

The tellers reported eighty-seven votes cast, of which

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickerson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fittler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

Sixty-three, voted for William F. Small for Chief Clerk, and for J. Barclay Harding for Assistant Clerk.

And,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Comly, Day, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McClean, McDonough, McIlvain, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh and Wright,

Twenty-five, voted for John D. Miles for Chief Clerk, and for Thomas W. Duffield for Assistant Clerk.

William F. Small, having received the highest number of votes cast, was declared duly elected Chief Clerk, and was duly qualified.

J. Barclay Harding, having received the highest number of votes cast, was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk, and was duly qualified.

Council proceeded to the nomination and election of Messengers.

Mr. McIlvain

Nominated Isaiah H. Butler and James Magner.

Mr. Gamble

Nominated Thomas H. Hall.

Mr. Manuel

Nominated James Zimmerman.

The tellers reported that eighty-six votes had been cast, of which

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickerson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fittler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Snedley, Steeling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

Sixty-three, voted for Thomas H. Hall and James Zimmerman for Messengers.

And,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Comly, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, McBride, M'Cahen, McClean, McDonough, McIlvain, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh and Wright,

Twenty-three, voted for Isaiah H. Butler and James Magner.

Thomas H. Hall and James Zimmerman having received the highest number of votes cast, were declared duly elected Messengers, and were qualified.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the business of this Council be opened by prayer and the reading of a selection from the Holy Bible, by the Rev. Thomas H. Stockton;

Which was agreed to,

And the Reverend gentleman, having been introduced by Messrs. Gordon and Hacker, performed the services requested in an eloquent and impressive manner.

A Committee of Select Council, consisting of Mr. Cuyler and Mr. Cornman, were introduced and informed this Council that their body had organized by the selection of the following officers:

President, George M. Wharton,
Clerk, Henry G. Leisenring,
Assistant Clerk, Horace M. Martin,
Messenger, Henry J. Fougeray.

A message from Select Council was received, informing Council, that that body had passed the annexed Resolution :

Resolved, That a joint Committee of two from each chamber be appointed to wait on the Mayor, and inform him that these Councils are now organized, and ready to receive any communication he may have to make. And have appointed Messrs. Kline and Parker said Committee on the part of Select Council.

Common Council concurred.

Whereupon the President appointed Messrs. Hacker and Thompson the Committee.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the same Committee shall inform Select Council that this body has organized by selecting the following officers :

President, Charles B. Trego,
Clerk, William F. Small,
Assistant Clerk, J. Barclay Harding,
Messengers, Thomas H. Hall, James Zimmerman ;

And that it is ready to proceed to business.

A message was received from Select Council informing Council that that body had passed the annexed resolution :

Resolved, That a Joint Committee of three be appointed to make arrangements for the Inauguration of the Mayor elect ; and have appointed Messrs. Cornman, Ford, and Schofield said Committee on the part of Select Council.

Common Council concurred.

Whereupon the President appointed Messrs. Gordon, Gay, and Fitler the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

Council proceeded to select seats in the usual manner.

A message was received from Select Council informing Council that they have passed a bill entitled :

“ An Ordinance for the amount of the security to be given by the City Commissioners.”

Which was read.

Mr. Kerr

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of the same gentleman, the rules were suspended, and Council proceeded to the third reading of the Ordinance.

The Ordinance was read by its title, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that this Council shall be governed by the Rules of the previous Council until otherwise ordered.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Potter offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of Common Council be tendered to John D. Miles, Esq., late Clerk of Common Council, for the courtesy and skill with which he presided over this body during the preliminary stage of its organization, and to T. W. Duffield, Esq., Assistant Clerk, and Isaiah Butler and James Magner, Messengers, for the aid so cheerfully rendered by them.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That when this Council adjourns, it will adjourn to meet to-morrow (Tuesday) at eleven o'clock, A. M.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker, of the Committee appointed to wait upon the Mayor, reported that they had performed the duty assigned to them, and that the Mayor had no communication to make at present, but would submit one to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Brown offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Council be authorized to have additional seats prepared for those members who are unprovided with the same, corresponding with those now in use.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Potter offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the stated meetings of Common Council be held on Thursdays at 3½ o'clock P. M., until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to amend by making it three o'clock, instead of half-past three o'clock.

Agreed to.

The resolution as amended was agreed to.

Select Council

Informed Common Council that they had passed a Resolution to release a certain property of Robert Laughlin.

The resolution was twice read and agreed to.

Mr. Gordon offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That a Committee of seven be appointed with full power to investigate all matters connected with the previous Administration of the public affairs of the City ; and, also to examine and report the exact condition of the City finances, the condition and accounts of each department, and what legislation is necessary to reform existing abuses.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hiram Miller offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia : That the Heads of the several departments be, and they are hereby directed to make no further contracts, and as far as practicable, to suspend all work, and the delivery of materials in their several departments until further directed.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to lay the Resolution on the table,

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was then considered and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gordon,

Council then adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 11, 1858.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Members present :

Messrs. Address,

Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,

Messrs. Gay,

Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kerr,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McClellan,

Messrs. McDonough,	Messrs. Savage,
McIlvain,	Server,
Megary,	Shermer,
Miller, Geo. B.,	Schoch,
Miller, Hiram,	Simon,
Mingle,	Simons,
Morris,	Smedley,
Moyer,	Steelling,
Nippes,	Thompson,
Potter,	Uber,
Pugh,	Wagner,
Quinn,	Walsh,
Riley,	Wetherill,
Roats,	Wildey,
Rothermel,	Wister,
Rubicam,	Wright,
Russel,	Trego, <i>President.</i>

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the same Committee which was appointed yesterday to wait upon the Mayor, be continued for the same purpose.

Which was agreed to.

In pursuance of a Resolution which passed this Council yesterday, the President announced that he had appointed Messrs. Gordon, Hacker, Handy, Jones, H. Miller, Baird, and Bullock, a Committee of Investigation of all matters connected with the previous Administration of the public affairs of this City.

The following communication was received from the Mayor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Phila., May 10th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common Council
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 10th inst., An Ordinance relating to certain city officers and departments.

On the 10th inst., Resolutions to authorize the paving of Howard Street in the 19th Ward, and other streets, and for other purposes.

On the 10th inst., A Resolution to authorize the paving of Wharton Street, and for other purposes.

On the 10th inst., An Ordinance for the further extension of the Philadelphia Gas Works.

On the 10th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City.

Respectfully,
RICHARD VAUX,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was laid on the table.

Also

A message from the Mayor, returning with objections the Joint Resolution of Councils, "To authorize the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company to lay the rails of their Road over Market Street Bridge. (*See Appendix No. 1.*)

Mr. Kelley

Moved that Council proceed to reconsider the Resolution referred to in the message from the Mayor, in conformity with law.

Mr. Potter

Moved to lay this motion upon the table, but afterwards withdrew the same.

The motion to reconsider was then agreed to.

The Resolution referred to in the message being again under consideration and having been read,

The President

Stated that he was under the impression that this Council could not entertain the motion, because the Reso-

lution referred to was passed by a Council which had ceased to exist; but would not rule the point at this time.

Mr Hacker

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed.

Which was agreed to.

The following message from the Mayor was also received.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Phila., May 11th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN:—The official term to which I was elected as Executive Head of the City is ended.

I cannot permit the last opportunity of communicating with the City Councils to pass without expressing my sincere desire that all their doings may redound to the honor and welfare of our noble City—that happiness and prosperity may take up their abode with her citizens—and that Providence will vouchsafe to all her inhabitants the blessing of a contented spirit.

RICHARD VAUX,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr Kelley,

On leave, read in his place and presented to the Chair a bill entitled, "An Ordinance to repeal an Ordinance relative to the Committee of Councils, approved July 3rd, 1854."

Which was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

A communication was received from the Mayor transmitting Reports from the Departments of Police, Highways, Markets Wharves and Landings, City Controller, City Treasurer, and Commissioner of City Property. (*See Appendix No. 2.*)

Which was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr. Day

Moved that Council take a recess of fifteen minutes.

Which was agreed to.

At 12 o'clock the Council was called to order by the President.

Mr. Day,

From the Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Inauguration of the Mayor elect, submitted the following Report :

The Joint Special Committee of the Select and Common Councils to make arrangements for the Inauguration of the Mayor elect, beg leave to report that they have attended to the duties assigned them, as follows :

They have invited the Honorable Richard Vaux, Mayor of the City, to be present.

And for the purpose of administering the oath of office to the Mayor elect, they have invited the Hon. Oswald Thompson, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.

Your Committee have agreed upon the observance of the following order of arrangements.

That they shall proceed from their respective chambers in order, to the platform erected in the State House Yard at the rear of Independence Hall, for the purpose of witnessing the Inauguration of the Mayor elect.

O. P. Cornman,
John M. Ford,
Geo. W. Schofield,
Geo. F. Gordon,
Alfred Day,
Isaiah P. Fittler,
Committee.

Which was adopted.

A message was received from Select Council informing Council that the Mayor of the City, and the Mayor elect were in attendance in the chamber of Select Council, and ready to proceed to the platform erected in Independence Square for the Inauguration of the Mayor elect.

Whereupon Common Council proceeded to Independence Square to witness the Inauguration of the Mayor elect.

The Mayor of the City, the Mayor elect, and the Select and Common Councils having assembled upon the platform, an impressive prayer was delivered by Rev. Dr. De Wolfe Howe.

The Mayor then introduced the Mayor elect, who was sworn into office, in conformity with law, by the Hon. Oswald Thompson, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.

The Mayor, the Honorable Alexander Henry, then addressed the citizens assembled.

After which, Common Council returned to their chamber.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that Council do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 13, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,

Baird,

Brenan,

Bobb,

Bowker,

Brown,

Bullock,

Carson,

Case,

Cattell,

Comly,

Conrad, Osborn,

Conrad, William,

Cooley,

Cooper,

Day,

Dennis,

Doerr,

Dickinson,

Ellis,

Enyard,

Epler,

Fish,

Fisher,

Fitler,

French,

Gamble,

Gay,

Gheen,

Messrs. Gillingham,

Gordon,

Haas,

Hacker,

Handy,

Harbert,

Harmer,

Heins,

Hodgdon,

Holmes,

House,

Hunter,

Hutchinson,

Jones,

Kelley,

Kelton,

Kerr,

Kersey,

Ketcham,

Krider,

Luther,

Manderfield,

Manuel,

Mascher,

McBride,

McCahen,

McClean,

McDonough,

McIlvain,

Messrs. Megary,
 Miller, Geo. B.,
 Miller, Hiram,
 Mingle,
 Morris,
 Moyer,
 Nippes,
 Potter,
 Pugh,
 Quinn,
 Riley,
 Roats,
 Rothermel,
 Rubicam,
 Russel,
 Savage,

Messrs. Server,
 Shermer,
 Schoch,
 Simon,
 Simons,
 Smedley,
 Steelling,
 Thompson,
 Uber,
 Wagner,
 Walsh,
 Wetherill,
 Wildey,
 Wister,
 Wright,
 Trego, *President.*

Journal of the last meeting of Council was read.

Mr. Kelton

Presented the credentials of his election as member of this Council as follows.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1858.

MR. ROBERT KELTON.

Sir :—At a General Election held on the 4th instant, you were duly elected member of Common Council for Tenth Ward for the City of Philadelphia.

Joseph Cooper,
 Samuel Williamson,
 Mahlon Ortlip,
 Samuel Hancock,
 Charles L. Wolff,

Return Judges.

Which was read, and Mr. Kelton, being duly qualified by the President, took his seat.

The President

Submitted a Communication from the City Solicitor, reporting the amount of moneys appropriated to, and expended by, his department since Jan. 1st, 1858. (*See Appendix No. 3.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the Chief Commissioner of Highways. (*See Appendix No. 4.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the Commissioner of City Property. (*See Appendix No. 5.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the Receiver of Taxes. (*See Appendix No. 6.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the City Treasurer. (*See Appendix No. 7.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. (*See Appendix No. 8.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the City Controller. (*See Appendix No. 9.*)

Also,

A similar Communication from the Clerks of Councils. (*See Appendix No. 10.*)

Which, on motion of Mr. Gordon, were referred to the Select Committee appointed "To investigate all matters connected with the previous administration of the public affairs of the City."

Petitions, Memorials, and Remonstrances being in order,

Mr. Bobb

Presented a Communication from Lane Schofield, complaining of the conduct of Patrick McAntee, Supervisor of the Twentieth Ward, and charging him with official misconduct.

Which was referred to a Committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Bobb, Ellis, and Mascher, in conjunction with the City Solicitor.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Remonstrance from the Managers of "Preston Retreat," against the paving of Twentieth St. north of Hamilton St., and Hamilton St. west of Twentieth St.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways, when appointed.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a communication from Edward Brady, asking that water pipes may be laid on Hamilton St. north of Baltimore Pike, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Water, when appointed.

The same gentleman

Presented a Communication from C. D. Nauman, asking that his securities may be released.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, when appointed.

Mr. Kerr,

On leave, submitted a Joint Resolution, authorizing the City Solicitor to enter satisfaction upon a bond given by the sureties of Bilger and Taylor, &c.

And moved that Council proceed to a second reading of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution having been read a second time,

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed, and that the Resolution be referred to the Committee on Highways, when appointed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Communication from Michael McCloskey, asking compensation for work done in grading Girard Avenue west of the river Schuylkill.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways, when appointed.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Remonstrance from John Volkmar against the curbing and paving of Union St. between Bedford and West Sts. in the Eighteenth Ward,

And offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the communication from John Volkmar, in relation to the Curbing and Paving on Union St., in the Eighteenth Ward, be referred to a Joint Special Committee of three from each chamber of Councils.

The Resolution was read a second time, considered and adopted:

And Messrs. Manuel, Brown, and Kerr were appointed the Committee on the part of this Council.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Protest signed by Edward Gratz and twenty two other qualified voters of the Twentieth Ward, contesting the Election and Return of James Russel, member of Council of that Ward. (*See Appendix No. 11.*)

And moved

That Council do proceed to the selection of a Committee to examine and report upon the same in conformity with law.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of Council then prepared and placed in a box the names of members, excepting the President, and the gentleman whose seat was contested, (Mr. Russel,) and handed the same to the President. Mr. Day was appointed to record the names as drawn from the box. The Clerk, in conformity with the Act of Assembly, then proceeded to draw from the box and hand to the President the names of members so deposited by him; when, after all the challenges to which the parties interested were entitled had been exhausted, the following named gentlemen remained, and were appointed a Committee to hear and determine said contested Election.

To wit :

Messrs. Fitler, Bobb, Ellis, Carson, Enyard, French, Harmer, Holmes, Luther, Server, and Wister.

Mr. Jones

Presented a Petition from a number of citizens, asking that a lamp may be placed in Biddle's Alley.

Referred to the Committee on Police, when appointed.

Mr. Harmer,

On leave, presented a Preamble and Joint Resolution, for the purpose of examining the bonds and sureties of Edward R. Williams, City Commissioner elect. (*See Appendix No. 12.*)

Mr. Wister

Moved that the Resolution be read a second time.

Which was agreed to.

The Preamble and Resolution were then read a second time,

Considered, and agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Protest signed by Charles C. Hicks, Jr., and nineteen other qualified voters of the Twenty-third Ward, against the Election and Return of Edward S. Handy as a member of Common Council from that Ward. (*See Appendix No. 13.*)

The same gentleman

Moved that Council proceed to select a Committee to examine and report upon the same, in conformity with law.

Mr. Day

Raised a point of order, and objected to the motion because the Protest was not in proper form.

The President

Decided that the point of order was not well taken.

Whereupon Council proceeded to the selection of a Committee in conformity with law.

Mr. Wister

Having been appointed to record the names drawn from the box.

No challenges having been made by either party, the following named gentlemen were severally drawn from the box, and appointed on said Committee.

To wit :

Messrs. Simons, Fish, Osborn Conrad, Kersey, Savage, Simon, Andress, Baird, Brown, Cattell, and Fisher.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed an Ordinance making

an appropriation to pay certain expenses incurred by the Joint Committee to make preparations for the Inauguration of the Mayor.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that Council proceed to the consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Ordinance having been twice read, considered, and agreed to; on motion of Mr. Gordon the rules were suspended, and the Bill read a third time by its title, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

Also,

A message informing this Council that the President of Select Council had appointed the following named gentlemen on the Committee on Finance.

To wit :

Messrs. Beideman, Williams, Neal, Horrocks, Foster, and Thompson.

Also,

A message informing this Council that Select Council had passed a Resolution authorizing the several Joint Standing Committees to ascertain and report upon all matters referred to them, and which were undisposed of at the dissolution of the former Councils.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time,

Considered and agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

Also,

A message informing the Council that Select Council had passed a Resolution to appoint a Joint Special Committee to confer with the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company on the subject of crossing the Market Street Bridge, and its passage through Market Street;

And that they had appointed the Committee on the part of Select Council, Messrs. Cuyler, Kline, Neal, and Enos.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time.

Mr. Riley

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was then

Considered and adopted.

So Common Council concurred, and Messrs. H. Miller, Dennis, Mascher, and Bullock were appointed the Committee on the part of Common Council.

Mr. H. Miller

Offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to ascertain by what authority and for what purpose the pen-knives and large amount of stationery have been placed on the desks of members.

Which was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Messrs. H. Miller, Kelton, and Thompson were appointed on said Committee.

Mr. Mascher,

On leave, read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of Culverts or Drains on Second St. and other streets in the Nineteenth Ward."

Which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition from Lewis Smith of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking compensation for grading Girard Avenue, and other streets west of the River Schuylkill.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways, when appointed.

The President

Announced that, as certain suits were likely to be brought against the City at the present time, he would now appoint the Committee on Law; and named as that Committee, Messrs. Wister, Dennis, Fitler, Mascher, Hutchinson, and Kelly.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition from the Diligent Fire Engine Company, asking that the Fire Alarm Telegraphic Apparatus may be placed in their Engine House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, when appointed.

Mr. Manuel

Offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Select Council be invited to meet this Council in joint convention in Common Council chamber on Thursday, May 20th, 1858, at 4 o'clock P. M., to elect two Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Works.

Which was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, by the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, that the President is hereby authorized and requested to appoint a Committee of seven, whose duty it shall be to examine all bills for Printing and other supplies for said body, and report upon the same to this Chamber, before said bills shall be paid.

Which was read a second time.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the same.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was then adopted.

The President

Appointed on said Committee, Messrs. Steelling, Potter, Jones, Gay, Wetherill, French, and McIlvain.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed Resolutions, entitled "Resolutions to cause the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company to remove their rails from Market St. Bridge," in which they ask the concurrence of this Council.

The Resolutions were read a second time.

Mr. Pugh

Moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed, and that this Council proceed to the consideration of the Resolution returned by the late Mayor with objections, on the 11th inst, entitled "A Resolution to authorize the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company to lay the rails of their road over Market St. Bridge," now on Common Council File No. 2.

Mr. Gordon

Asked for a division of the question on this motion.

Which was granted.

And the question recurring on the first division "to postpone."

It was agreed to.

On the second division of the question, "Will Council proceed to the consideration of the Resolution returned by the Mayor?"

Mr. Gordon

Raised a point of order, and objected to this part of the motion, because the Resolution referred to, having failed to obtain the sanction of the late Mayor, had become inoperative and void, and that this Council could not now reconsider the same.

The President

Decided that the point of order was well taken.

And the second division of the motion was therefore declared to be not in order.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that Council do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 20, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,

Messrs. Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McClellan,
McDonough,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,

Messrs. Mingle,
 Morris,
 Moyer,
 Nippes,
 Potter,
 Pugh,
 Quinn,
 Riley,
 Roats,
 Rothermel,
 Rubicam,
 Russel,
 Savage,
 Server,

Messrs. Shermer,
 Schoch,
 Simon,
 Simons,
 Smedley,
 Steelling,
 Thompson,
 Uber,
 Wagner,
 Walsh,
 Wetherill,
 Wildey,
 Wister,
 Wright,

Trego, President.

Journal of the last meeting of Council was read.

The President

Stated that, before proceeding to the regular order of business, he felt it his duty to inform Council that since the last adjournment he had carefully examined the several Acts of Assembly, relative to contested elections, for members of the Legislature and Councils, and had become convinced that the proceedings of Thursday last were not in strict compliance with those laws. Although both parties appeared entirely satisfied with the proceedings in each case then considered, he deemed them so irregular as to require reconsideration, and a re-appointment of the Committees necessary.

Mr. Manuel

Thereupon moved that Council do now reconsider its action of Thursday last on the Contested Election case of Mr. Russel of the Twentieth Ward.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelly and Mascher,

And being ordered, were as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Cattell, Comly, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson,

Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, Miller Geo. B., Miller Hiram, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS—Messrs. Brennan, Gay, Kelley, Mascher, M'Cahen, McClean, McIlvain, Quinn, Russel, Schoch, Walsh, Wright.

Yeas 60. Nays 12.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Manuel

Moved that Council now proceed to select the Committee according to law.

Mr. Russel

Thereupon presented the following Protest :—

The undersigned herewith submits and enters upon the Journal, his Protest against any change or alteration or dissolution of the Committee drawn at the last stated meeting, to try the matter of the petition contesting his election as a member of Common Council from the Twentieth Ward, and submits the following reasons therefor :

1. The said Committee was selected and chosen in accordance with the provisions of law in every essential particular.

2. All the proceedings in the selecting and constituting said Committee had the full consent, acquiescence, and approbation of both contestant and respondent.

3. The said Committee, having been selected and constituted without objection by either contestant or respondent, cannot be dissolved except with the consent of both parties, or unless its number "shall unavoidably be reduced to less than seven members, and shall so continue for the space of three days."

4. The undersigned, therefore, asks and demands that the Committee be now sworn or affirmed by the President of Common Council to "try the matter of the petition which shall be given them in charge, and to give a true judgment thereon according to the evidence, unless the Committee shall be dissolved," and that Common Council now proceed to fix the time and place of the first meeting of the Committee.

JAMES RUSSEL.

Phila., May 20th, 1858.

Which was ordered to be entered upon the Journal.

The question then recurring, upon the motion of Mr. Manuel,

It was agreed to.

The Clerk then prepared ballots containing the names of members present on separate slips of paper "as nearly alike as possible," and placed them severally, with the exception of that of the President and Mr. Russel, in a box prepared for the purpose. Three boxes were then placed on the President's desk, and the Clerk proceeded to draw the names deposited in the first box and placed them alternately in the three other boxes.

Mr. Day was appointed to record the names of the members drawn from the boxes and to note the challenges thereto.

The Clerk then drew alternately from each of the three boxes the names deposited therein and handed them to the President, who announced them to the Council. A number of challenges were made by the contestant and respondent, and other names drawn in place of those thus challenged and discharged; when it appeared that seventeen gentlemen remained unchallenged.

Mr. Fitler

Moved that Mr. Manuel be appointed Clerk of the Committee for the purpose of noting further challenges thereto.

Which was agreed to.

Lists of the Committee were prepared and furnished to the contestant and respondent, who retired with the Committee to an adjoining room for the purpose of selecting eleven members from said lists to constitute the Committee.

The Committee returned within the hour prescribed by law, and reported that the following named gentlemen had been duly selected to act as a Committee in this case.

To wit:

Messrs. G. B. Miller, French, Hacker, Harbert, Roats, Bobb, Fish, Steelling, Brown, Wetherill, and Cattell.

The Committee were then called before the President's desk, and were duly sworn or affirmed according to law.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the Committee meet in Common Council chamber on Friday (to morrow) afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Hacker and Wetherill desired to be excused from serving on said Committee, as they could not attend to the duties without great inconvenience.

The President

Decided that as the gentlemen had been duly qualified as members of the Committee, their application could not be entertained.

Mr. Wister

Moved that the proceedings in the case of the Contested Election of Mr. Handy of the Twenty-third Ward be reconsidered, and that Council proceed to select a Committee in conformity with law.

Which was agreed to.

And the same proceedings were had in selecting a Committee, as were adopted in the case of the Contested Election of the Twentieth Ward.

Mr. Gay was appointed to record the names drawn from the Boxes, and to note the challenges thereto.

Seventeen members having remained unchallenged,

Mr. McDonough

Moved that Mr. Manuel act as clerk in the further challenging of said Committee.

Which was agreed to.

The Committee then retired to an adjoining room, and within the hour prescribed by law returned to the chamber, and reported that the following named gentlemen had been duly selected as the Committee.

To wit:

Messrs. Wagner, Potter, Kersey, Smedley, Gillingham, Baird, Uber, H. Miller, Wister, Rubicam, and Gheen.

The Committee thus chosen appeared before the President's desk, and were duly sworn or affirmed according to law.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved that the Committee meet in this chamber at seven o'clock this evening.

Which was agreed to.

The President

Submitted a communication from the City Controller, stating that the accounts of the late City Solicitor had been examined and found correct. (*See Appendix No. 14.*)

Laid on the table.

Also,

A communication from the Board of Health, requesting Councils to supply vacancies in that body. (*See Appendix No. 15.*)

Laid on the table.

Also,

A communication from Mr. Flommerfelt, submitting the names of John Lancaster and Thomas McCoy as his sureties as Receiver of Taxes.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

A communication from the Department of Surveys, informing Council of the election of Thomas L. Smedley, as Surveyor and Regulator of the Eleventh District in place of Charles H. Fox resigned.

Which was laid on the table.

The President

Announced that he had appointed the following Standing Committees on the part of Common Council for the ensuing year:—

FINANCE.—Messrs. Hacker, *Chairman*, Potter, Riley, Handy, Simons, Kelton.

WATER WORKS.—Messrs. Rubicam, H. Miller, Manuel, Bobb, Gay, French.

GAS WORKS.—Messrs. W. Conrad, *Chairman*, Wister, Krider, Kerr, Harbert, Cooley.

GIRARD ESTATES.—Messrs. Wetherill, Gamble, Hacker, Manderfield, French, Riley.

HIGHWAYS.—Messrs. Bullock, *Chairman*, Potter, Ellis, Day, Hodgdon, Harmer.

CITY PROPERTY.—Messrs. H. Miller, Wagner, Case, Day, Haas, Bullock.

POLICE.—Messrs. Jones, *Chairman*, Shermer, Thompson, Kersey, Carson, Roats.

TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.—Messrs. Moyer, *Chairman*, Mingle, Walsh, Gillingham, Smedley, Brennan.

HEALTH.—Messrs. Steelling, Server, Andress, Quinn, Hunter, Megary.

POOR.—Messrs. Gordon, *Chairman*, Gheen, Rothermel, Schoch, Savage, M'Cahen.

PRISONS.—Messrs. Wildey, Ketcham, Thompson, Heins, Doerr, Holmes.

SCHOOLS.—Messrs. Cooper, Russel, Jones, Gordon, Dickinson, McDonough.

SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.—Messrs. Hutchinson, *Chairman*, Rubicam, Baird, Dickinson, Luther, Cattell.

RAILROADS.—Messrs. Kelton, Morris, Wetherill, Mascher, Pugh, Fisher.

CLAIMS.—Messrs. Dennis, *Chairman*, Nippes, Bowker, Enyard, Manuel, McClean.

TO COMPARE BILLS.—Messrs. Gamble, *Chairman*, Fidler, McIlvain.

PORT WARDENS AND PUBLIC LANDINGS.—Messrs. Brown, *Chairman*, Cooley, Baird, House, Geo. B. Miller, McBride.

LAW.—Messrs. Wister, Dennis, Fidler, Mascher, Hutchinson, Kelley.

MARKETS.—Messrs. Fish, *Chairman*, O. Conrad, Simon, Wright, Uber, Comly.

TO VERIFY CASH ACCOUNT OF CITY TREASURER.—Messrs. Wagner, Cattell, Epler.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that the President had appointed the following Standing Committees on the part of Select Council:—

FINANCE.—Messrs. Beideman, Foster, Horrocks, Neal, Thompson, Williams.

WATER WORKS.—Messrs. Horrocks, *Chairman*, Cornman, Cuyler, Neal, Norman, Parker.

GAS WORKS.—Messrs. Beideman, Benton, Bradford, Kline, Loughlin, Read.

GIRARD ESTATES.—Messrs. Williams, *Chairman*, Beideman, Bringham, Davis, Kline, Nathans.

HIGHWAYS.—Messrs. Benton, Bradford, Ellis, Ford, Schofield, Williams.

CITY PROPERTY.—Messrs. Cuyler, *Chairman*, Benton, Ford, Foster, Loughlin, Neal.

POLICE.—Messrs. Beideman, Bradford, Cornman, Kline, Leidy, Norman.

TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.—Messrs. Cornman, Foster, Horrocks, McIntyre, Norman, Schofield.

HEALTH.—Messrs. Schofield, *Chairman*, Davis, Loughlin, Nathans, Read, Thompson.

POOR.—Messrs. Benton, Davis, Enos, Leidy, Nathans, Norman.

PRISONS.—Messrs. Benton, *Chairman*, Cornman, Horrocks, Loughlin, Parker, Read.

SCHOOLS.—Messrs. Nathans, *Chairman*, Beideman, Bringhurst, Cuyler, Enos, McIntyre.

SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.—Messrs. Davis, Foster, Nathans, Parker, Schofield, Williams.

RAILROADS.—Messrs. Beideman, *Chairman*, Bringhurst, Cuyler, Horrocks, Kline, Leidy.

CLAIMS.—Messrs. Cornman, Enos, Horrocks, McIntyre, Neal, Schofield.

COMPARE BILLS.—Messrs. Bradford, Bringhurst, Leidy.

PORT WARDENS, PUBLIC WHARVES AND LANDINGS.—Messrs. Davis, Ford, McIntyre, Nathans, Thompson, Williams.

LAW.—Messrs. Kline, *Chairman*, Benton, Bradford, Cornman, Cuyler, Nathans.

MARKET HOUSES.—Messrs. Bringhurst, Foster, Leidy, McIntyre, Read, Schofield.

ON CASH ACCOUNTS OF CITY TREASURER.—Messrs. Thompson, *Chairman*, Parker, Williams.

Also,

That they had passed a Bill entitled, "An Ordinance, to change the names of certain Streets, Lanes, Courts, Alleys, &c. in the City of Philadelphia," and ask the concurrence of this Council.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr Heins

Presented a Communication from Mr. W. W. Watt, asking that certain overpaid taxes be refunded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also

A Petition from a number of citizens, asking that a gas lamp may be placed in Aspen Street between Twenty-first and Twenty-second Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition for the introduction of water pipes in Lancaster Street, south from Market Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wetherill,

On leave, offered the following Preamble and Resolutions, to wit:

"Resolutions relative to the death of Major General Persifer F. Smith."

Whereas, The Councils of the City of Philadelphia have heard, with sincere regret, of the recent death of General Persifer F. Smith, of the United States Army; and it is proper that some expression of the sympathy of the citizens of Philadelphia in the general loss which the nation has sustained in his demise, as well as in the grief which this bereavement has occasioned to his family, should be made; therefore

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that, in the death of Gen. Persifer F. Smith, the citizens of Philadelphia, and of the State of Pennsylvania, are called upon to deplore the loss of one of their most distinguished fellow-citizens, and the Army of the United States one of its most gallant and meritorious officers.

Resolved, That the patriotic services of Gen. Smith in the Florida War, and his brilliant career during the late War with Mexico, have endeared his name to every Pennsylvanian, and rendered his memory and worth the richest legacy he could bequeath to his native State.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions and Preamble were then severally read a second time, and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition from property-holders on the north side of Chesnut Street, between Nineteenth and Twentieth Streets, and on Nineteenth Street above Chesnut Street, asking that a certain street, extending from Nineteenth to Twentieth Street, above Chesnut Street, may be opened and paved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Petition from a number of citizens, asking that a Bridge may be constructed over the River Schuylkill at Chesnut Street.

Mr. Fitler

Presented a similar Petition.

Mr. Fisher

Presented a similar Petition.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a similar Petition.

Which were referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Mascher

Submitted a Protest of sundry citizens and qualified electors of the Fifteenth Ward, against the election and return of Thomas Potter as a member of Common Council from said Ward. (*See Appendix No. 16.*)

Mr. Steelling

Moved that the Protest be laid on the table for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fitler

Presented a Petition for the opening of Brown Street from Vienna to Wood Street, in the Eighteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Remonstrance, signed by a large number of Printers, against employing the Evening Bulletin to print or publish the ordinances or documents of Councils.

Which was read and laid upon the table.

Mr. Wagner

Presented a Petition from citizens of Sixteenth Ward, asking that a culvert may be constructed over Cohocksink Creek.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a similar Petition.

Which were referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Petition from the Kensington Engine Company, asking to be admitted into the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Remonstrance from citizens residing on Salmon Street, between Huntingdon and Cumberland Streets, against the paving of said street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Remonstrance against the paving of Girard Avenue, between Nineteenth Street and College Avenue, by the person who now claims to have the contract therefor; as the Remonstrants have contracted with another person to perform said work agreeably to Ordinance.

Which was referred to the same Committee.

Mr. Russel

Presented a Petition, asking that a certain Fire Plug in Callowhill Street above Tenth Street may be removed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Jones

Presented a Petition from the sureties of Henry Raider, formerly Tax Collector of the Borough of Manayunk, asking that they may be released from their bonds, and that the sum of \$39.13 overpaid by them may be returned.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance in conjunction with the City Solicitor, with power to act.

The same gentleman

Presented a Deed from Jonathan Robeson, dedicating to public use a certain road or street, extending from the Wissahicon Turnpike Road, to School-House Lane.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition from John Nolen, asking that a certain property may be released from the lien of a judgment confessed for the faithful performance of a contract, for the grading of Washington Street in the Twenty-second Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Riley

Presented a Petition from the citizens of Twenty-fourth Ward, asking that a culvert may be constructed in Market Street, between Cramond and Margaretta Sts., in said ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

The same gentleman

Presented a Communication from John C. Mitchell, President of the West Philadelphia Railway Company, disclaiming any intention to disregard or disrespect the action of Councils in relation to the laying of the Rails of said Company over Market Street Bridge.

Which was referred to the Joint Special Committee of Councils on that subject.

Mr. Bobb

Presented a large number of Petitions, asking that a Bridge may be constructed over the River Schuylkill at Walnut Street, or other street south of that street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the consideration of the contested election of Mr. Potter of the Fifteenth Ward, and that a Committee be selected according to law.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to lay this motion upon the table.

On this motion the ayes and nays were demanded by

Messrs. Kelly and Mascher, and being ordered were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooper, Doerr, Dickinson, Fish, French, Gordon, Heins, Jones, Luther, Miller Hiram, Morris, Rothermel, Server, Simon, Steelling.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Cattell, Cooley, Day, Dennis, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fisher, Fitler, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McDonough, McIlvain, Megargy, Miller Geo. B., Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Russel, Savage, Shermer, Schoch, Simons, Smedley, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The motion to proceed to the consideration of the Protest, and the selection of a Committee was then agreed to.

Mr. Manuel

Moved that in the absence of the contestant, Mr. Mascher be appointed to represent him.

Which was agreed to.

And the same proceedings were had in selecting a Committee as were adopted in the cases of the contested election of the Twentieth Ward and of the Twenty-third Ward.

Mr. Wildey was appointed to record the names drawn from the boxes, and to note the challenges thereto.

Seventeen names having remained unchallenged,

Mr. H. Miller

Moved that Mr. Gordon act as clerk in the further challenging of said Committee.

Which was agreed to.

The Committee then retired to an adjoining room, and within the hour prescribed by law, returned to the chamber and reported that the following named gentlemen had been duly selected as the Committee.

To wit :

Messrs. Nippes, Russel, Rubicam, Riley, Manuel, Smedley, Mingle, Savage, Harbert, Doerr, and Roats.

The Committee thus chosen appeared before the President's desk, and were duly sworn or affirmed according to law.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the Committee meet in Common Council chamber this evening at seven o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Steelling offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed by the President to examine into the condition of the mouth of the Parrish Street Culvert, and of the Co-hocksink Creek, into which it empties, and report to this Chamber at our next stated meeting, what measures, if any, should be adopted to prevent the usual summer overflows along the line of said Culvert.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time.

Mr. Cooley moved to amend, by inserting after the

word "empties" the words, "and also the condition of the mouth of the Vine Street Culvert on the River Schuylkill."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was then adopted.

The President appointed Messrs. Steelling, Wagner, and Enyard, the Committee.

Mr. Baird,

On leave, read in his place, and presented to the Chair, a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of branch culverts or drains."

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Brown offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Resolution relative to charges against the Commissioner of Markets.

Whereas, It appears from the Appendix to the Journal of Select Council, No. 176, page 498, that the Committee on Markets of the last Council, have preferred charges of a serious nature against the present Commissioner of Markets ; therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Markets be directed to examine the testimony given before the Committee on Markets of the last Council, relative to the charges made against William Lamb, Commissioner of Markets, that they inquire into the truth of said charges, and to facilitate the investigation, have power to send for persons and papers.

And moved to proceed to the second reading of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution and Preamble were then severally read a second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Mascher offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the City Controller be, and is hereby

authorized to countersign warrants for the introduction of gas pipes, fixtures, &c., into the Alms House, for an amount not exceeding \$5,000.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed a Joint Resolution, "To appoint a Committee of five members from each Council to ascertain whether any retrenchment can be made in the expenses of the government, &c." And that Messrs. Neal, Beideman, Williams, Leidy, and Cuyler, had been appointed on the part of Select Council upon that Committee.

Which was read.

Also,

That they had concurred in the Resolutions relative to the death of Major General Persifer F. Smith.

Also,

That they had concurred in the Resolution to meet in Convention to elect two Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Works, with the following amendments.

Amend by striking out "May 20th," and inserting "May 27th."

Also by adding to the end thereof, "and eight Port Wardens, and members of the Board of Health, from the 6th, 15th, 16th and 24th Wards, to fill vacancies in said Wards."

Which was read, and on motion of Mr. Moyer, Common Council concurred in the amendments.

Mr. Kelley offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committees on Market Houses and City Property be directed to inquire into the expediency of consolidating the Department of Market Houses and

City Property, and report to Councils at their earliest convenience.

And moved that the same be referred to the Committees on Markets and City Property.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller,

From the Committee, "To ascertain by what authority and for what purpose the large amount of Stationery was placed on the desks of the members," submitted a Report and Resolution. (*See Appendix No. 17.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to proceed to second reading of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place, and presented to the chair a Bill, entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the election of a printer and a stationer for each branch of Councils."

And moved that Council proceed to a second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The first section having been read a second time,

Mr. Kelley

Moved that Council now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 27, 1858.

Council met.

Members present:

Messrs. Address,

Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,

Messrs. Gillingham,

Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McClellan,
McDonough,
McIlvaine,

Messrs. Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Quinn,
Riley,
Roats,
Rothermel,
Rubicam,
Russel,

Messrs. Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Willey,
Wister,
Trego, *President.*

Journal of the last meeting of Council was read.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Memorial from Lucas E. Burke, proposing a plan for the nomenclature of the streets of Philadelphia.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Also,

A Petition from George R. Wentz, asking compensation for bodily injuries caused by an explosion of gas which leaked from the culvert into his cellar.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition from citizens residing on Nineteenth Street, between Fitzwater and Prime Streets, asking that water pipes may be laid in that street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. McIlvain

Presented a Petition from property-owners residing on Catharine Street, between Broad and Thirteenth Streets, asking that gas pipes may be laid in that street.

Also,

A Petition from property-holders and residents on Christian Street, between Thirteenth and Broad Streets, asking that gas pipes may be laid in that street.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition from citizens residing in the western part of the Seventh Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed at the corner of Willow and Meredith Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition from the officers of the Fairmount Hose Company, asking that a back appropriation due to them may be paid.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition from Lane Schofield, asking the payment of a claim of \$312 25, for work done for the Board of Health.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition from Mordecai W. Haines, asking that a charge for curbing and paving in front of his property may be examined and corrected.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Luther

Asked that a Communication from John Volkmar, relative to paving Union Street, in the Eighteenth Ward, may be withdrawn from the Committee on Highways and referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Which was granted.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Petition numerously signed, asking for the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill at Chesnut Street.

Mr. Rubieam

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Gamble

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Hutchinson

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Wister

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Handy

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Cattell

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Petition from a Committee appointed at a meeting of citizens held at the Exchange, asking for the removal of the Market sheds on Market Street.

Mr. Mascher

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Gordon

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Russel

Also presented a Petition of similar import.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Bill of Alderman John Apple for costs of \$18.87, against the Guardians of the Poor.

Also,

A Communication from H. Rohrman in relation to certain overpaid Taxes.

Also,

A Petition from Alderman Coates, claiming certain balances due him as Police Magistrate of the Eleventh and Twelfth Wards.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Fitler

Presented a Petition from A. S. Harding, asking relief against the action of the Highway Department in filling a certain street in front of his house.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Andress

Presented a Petition from the "Hand in Hand Fire Engine Company," asking that certain arrears of appropriation may be paid to them.

Also,

A Petition of similar import from the "Pennsylvania Hose Company."

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Petition of similar import from the "Mechanic Fire Engine Company."

Also,

A Petition of similar import from the "Western Fire Engine Company."

Also,

A Petition of similar import from the "Independence Fire Engine Company."

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Gay

Presented a Petition for the laying of water pipes in George Street from Ridge Avenue to Nineteenth Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Remonstrance against the paving of Philip Street, between Harrison and Norris Streets, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition from citizens of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that the Keystone Fire Company may be admitted to the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition, asking for the paving of Merchant Street in the Twentieth Ward.

And on leave granted, read in his place and presented to the Chair a bill entitled "an Ordinance authorizing the paving of Merchant Street in the Twentieth Ward."

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Simons

Presented a Communication from citizens of the Twentieth Ward, complaining of the unnecessary waste of Hydrant Water in that Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Russel

Presented two Petitions for the grading and paving in Corinthian Avenue, from Coates Street to Girard Avenue, of the Twentieth Ward.

Mr. Ellis

Presented a Petition for the paving of Thompson Street, between Thirteenth and Broad streets, in the Twentieth Ward.

Mr. Jones

Presented a Petition for the opening and grading of Twenty-ninth Street on Landing Avenue, from York Street to Ridge Road, in the Twenty-first Ward.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition from citizens of Chestnut Hill in the Twenty-second Ward, asking that the "Congress Fire Company" may be admitted to the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Wister,

On leave, read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To authorize a Loan for the purchase of the Gas Works of the Germantown Gas Company, the Richmond Gas Company, the Kensington Gas Company, the Northern Liberty Gas Company, the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company, the Manayunk Gas Company, and for the use of the

Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works, to enable them to increase the works under their charge, extend the distribution of Gas, and equalize the price of the same in all the Wards of the City."

And moved that the same be referred, together with the petitions on that subject on file, to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition from Samuel L. Smedley, asking that a warrant may be drawn for the amount due to him under the Ordinance of January 18th, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Cooper

Presented a Remonstrance from owners of property and residents on Third Street, against the construction of a railway on Second and Third Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hacker

From the Committee on Finance, submitted a Report and Resolution, accepting and approving the sureties of Edward R. Williams as City Commissioner. (*See Appendix No. 18.*)

And moved that Council proceed to second reading and consideration of said Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

The same gentleman

Presented a Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, requesting the Mayor to enter satisfaction on the bonds of William L. Hirst, Esq., late City Solicitor. (*See Appendix No. 19.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, approving the sureties of A. I. Flomerfelt, Receiver of Taxes elect. (*See Appendix No. 20.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution having been read a second time,

Mr. McDonough

Moved that the Resolution and Report be re-committed to the Committee.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Hacker

Also presented a further Report from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a Resolution authorizing the Controller to countersign warrants for the introduction of gas pipes, &c., into the Alms House, with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Finance Committee from the further consideration of the subject, and referring the Resolution to the Committee on Poor, with power to act. (*See Appendix No. 21.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Mr. Hacker, from the same Committee,

Moved that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the Communication of C. V. Nauman, asking that his sureties may be released, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wister,

From the Committee appointed to examine into the case of the Contested Election of Edward S. Handy, of the Twenty-third Ward, submitted a Report, signed by all of the Committee, declaring the sitting member entitled to his seat, together with a Resolution to discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 22.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

The Resolution was read a second time, considered and adopted.

The Report was accepted, and the President declared Mr. Handy entitled to his seat as a member of Common Council from the Twenty-third Ward.

Mr. Savage,

From the Committee appointed to examine into the case of the Contested Election of Thomas Potter, of the Fifteenth Ward, submitted a Report signed by all of the Committee, declaring the sitting member entitled to his seat, together with a Resolution to discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 23.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

The Resolution was read a second time, considered and adopted.

The Report was accepted, and the President declared Mr. Potter entitled to his seat as a member of Common Council from the Fifteenth Ward.

Mr. Hacker

Presented an Invitation from Thomas Earp, President of the House of Refuge, inviting the Councils of Philadelphia to attend the celebration of the Fourth Anniversary of the opening of the White Department of that Institution on Tuesday next at 3 o'clock P. M.

And moved that the Invitation be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller,

On leave, presented a Petition for the construction of a culvert in Carlton Street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

The President

Submitted the Twentieth Annual Report of the City Ice Boat, which was read and laid on the table. (*See Appendix No. 24.*)

Mr. Steelling,

From the Special Committee appointed to examine the Parrish Street and Vine Street Culverts, submitted a Report with a Resolution annexed. (*See Appendix No. 25.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, when

Mr. Potter

Moved that it be referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Which was agreed to.

The same gentleman subsequently

Moved that Council reconsider the foregoing vote.

Which was seconded by Mr. Gordon, and agreed to.

Mr. Potter

Moved that the Report of the Committee, together with the Resolution, be referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

The President and Members of Select Council were then introduced, and Councils being assembled in Convention,

The President

Announced the object thereof to be the election of Two Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Works, and Eight Port Wardens, together with Members of the Board of Health, from the Sixth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, and Twenty-fourth Wards, to supply vacancies therein.

Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Works.

The clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 101 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Bradford, Cuyler, Foster, Horrocks, Loughlin, Nathans, Norman, Schofield, and Wharton,
President,

10, voted for Samuel Stevenson and Richard G. Laning.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Comly, Day, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McIlvain, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Thompson, and Walsh,

20, voted for Samuel Stevenson and Richard G. Laning.

In all, 30 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Cornman, Enos, Ford, Leidy, Neal, Parker, and Thompson,

7, voted for Charles M. Wagner and Robert P. Gillingham.

Common Council,

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitter, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*,

64, voted for Charles M. Wagner and Robert P. Gillingham.

In all, 71 votes.

Charles M. Wagner and Robert P. Gillingham having received a majority of the votes cast, were declared duly elected Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Works for three years.

Port Wardens.

The clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 97 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Bradford, Foster, Horrocks, Loughlin, Nathans, Norman, and Wharton, *President*,

8, voted for John Robins, Jr., Samuel Megarge, James Goodman, John Thompson, William H. Knowles, Charles J. Peale, Harman Yerkes, and Joseph Rutherford.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Comly, Day, Enyard, Epler, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, McBride, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Thompson, and Walsh,

17, voted for John Robins, Jr., Samuel Megarge, James Goodman, John Thompson, William H. Knowles, Charles S. Peale, Harman Yerkes, and Joseph Rutherford.

In all, 25 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Cornman, Enos, Ford, Leidy, Neal, Parker, and Thompson,

7, voted for John Birely, Joseph E. Harned, Enoch Turley, Elhanan W. Keyser, George W. Hacker, E. C. Pauling, C. B. Campbell, and Henry Simons.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fidler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

63, voted for John Birely, Joseph E. Harned, Enoch Turley, Elhanan W. Keyser, George W. Hacker, E. C. Pauling, C. B. Campbell, and Henry Simons.

In all, 70 votes.

Common Council,

Mr. Gay,

1, voted for John Robins, Jr., Samuel Megarge, James Goodman, John Thompson, William H. Knowles, Charles S. Peale, Joseph Rutherford, and Elhanan W. Keyser.

Common Council,

Mr. McIlvain,

1, voted for John Robins, Jr., Samuel Megarge, James

Goodman, John Thompson, William H. Knowles, Charles S. Peale, and Joseph Rutherford.

John Birely,	George W. Hacker,
Joseph E. Harned,	E. C. Pauling,
Enoch Turley,	C. B. Campbell, and
Elhanan W. Keyser,	Henry Simons,

having received a majority of the votes cast, were declared duly elected Port Wardens.

Board of Health.

The clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 88 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Bradford, Cuyler, Horrocks, Loughlin, Norman, and Wharton, *President*,

6, voted for William E. Walton, of the Sixth Ward, John R. Manderfield, of the Fifteenth Ward, Henry Wilt, of the Sixteenth Ward, and A. C. Garvin, of the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Comly, Day, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McIlvain, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Thompson, and Walsh,

20, voted for William E. Walton, of the Sixth Ward, John R. Manderfield, of the Fifteenth Ward, Henry Wilt, of the Sixteenth Ward, and A. C. Garvin, of the Twenty-fourth Ward.

In all 26 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Cornman, Enos, Ford, Leidy, Parker, and Thompson,

6, voted for Caspar Benkert, of the Sixth Ward, S. S. Pancoast, of the Fifteenth Ward, Samuel B. Jones, of the

Sixteenth Ward, and H. W. Siddell, of the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*,

56, voted for Caspar Benkert, for the Sixth Ward, S. S. Pancoast, for the Fifteenth Ward, Samuel B. Jones, for the Sixteenth Ward, and H. W. Siddell, for the Twenty-fourth Ward.

In all, 62 votes.

Caspar Benkert, S. S. Pancoast, Samuel B. Jones, and H. W. Siddell, having received a majority of all the votes cast, were duly elected members of the Board of Health for the Sixth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, and Twenty-fourth Wards respectively, to fill vacancies.

The President announced the result thereof.

The President and Members of Select Council then retired from the Chamber.

Mr. Dennis,

On leave, submitted the following

Resolution

Relative to the funeral of General Smith.

Resolved, That the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, attend in a body the funeral of the

late General Persifer F. Smith, and that the Members meet in their respective chambers to-morrow, at 2 o'clock P. M., for that purpose.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The following communication was received from the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 27th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common Council
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Joint Resolutions were approved and signed on the 26th inst., viz :

Resolutions relative to the death of Major General Persifer F. Smith.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor.

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, submitted a Report with a Resolution admitting the Kensington Fire Engine Company into the Fire Department.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Petition from Edward N. Creighton, asking that a claim of \$78 due to him for salary, as Assistant Engineer of Steam Engine Young America, for one month and seventeen days, may be paid to him.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report an ordinance at next meeting of Council.

Mr. Hacker

Read in his place, and submitted to the Chair a Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Providing for the care and management of the Steam Fire Engine Philadelphia.”

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, with instructions to report at the next meeting of Councils.

Mr. Manuel,

On leave, presented two Remonstrances against the construction of the Third and Fourth Street Passenger Railway.

Which were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Dennis

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Declaring the consent of Councils to the construction of the Central Passenger Railway.”

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Heins

Offered the following

Resolution

Authorizing the Chief Engineer to suspend riotous Fire Companies.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and is hereby empowered to suspend from active service any Fire Company or Companies charged with riotous or disorderly conduct; and it shall be his duty to report at the next stated meeting of Councils such Company or Companies thus suspended, with a detailed statement of the facts thereof.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, with instructions to report thereon at the next meeting of Councils.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had received a Report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "A Resolution authorizing the transfer of a certain item of appropriation,"

Which they had passed, and asked concurrence therein.

Also,

That they had received a Report from the same Committee with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "A Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to lay water pipes in certain streets,

Which they had passed, and asked concurrence therein.

Also,

That they had received a Report from a special Com-

mittee with Resolutions annexed, entitled, "Resolutions relating to Committees of Councils,"

Which they had passed, and asked concurrence therein.

Also,

That they had passed a Resolution, authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to draw a warrant in favor of Thomas Daly, for \$87.48.

In which they asked concurrence.

Also,

That they had concurred in the Resolution of Common Council to enter satisfaction upon the bonds of the sureties of Wm. L. Hirst, Esq., late City Solicitor.

Also,

In the Resolution to attend the funeral of Gen. Persifer F. Smith.

Also,

In the Resolution to refer to the Committee on Poor, the Resolution authorizing the City Controller to countersign warrants for the payment of a sum not exceeding \$5000, for the introduction of gas pipes, fixtures, &c., into the Alms House.

Also,

In the Resolution to approve the sureties of Edward R. Williams, City Commissioner elect.

Mr. Miller

Moved that Council proceed to the consideration of the messages from Select Council.

Which was agreed to.

"The Resolution authorizing the transfer of a certain item of appropriation," was then taken up. When on motion of

Mr. Day,

It was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Day

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution of Select Council, authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to draw a warrant in favour of Thomas Daly for \$87,48.

Which was agreed to.

And the Resolution was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that Council proceed to the second Reading and consideration of a Bill, passed by Select Council entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To change the names of certain Streets, Lanes, Courts, Alleys, &c., in the City of Philadelphia.”

And that said Bill be read by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been read a second time,

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Pugh

Moved to amend this motion by adding thereto, the words, “until this day three weeks.”

Which was agreed to.

And the Resolution as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Kerr

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to ascertain why the Fifth and Sixth Street Passenger Railway Company, have not laid flags at the crossings of the streets, intersected by the rails, as required by law.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to take up the Resolutions from Select Council relating to Committees of Councils.

Which was agreed to.

And the Resolutions were read.

Mr. Day

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions were then severally read a second time, and

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Third Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 3, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,

Messrs. Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Harner,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,

Messrs. Morris,	Messrs. Shermer,
Moyer,	Schoch,
Nippes,	Simon,
Potter,	Simons,
Pugh,	Smedley,
Quinn,	Steelling,
Riley,	Thompson,
Roats,	Uber,
Rothermel,	Wagner,
Rubicam,	Walsh,
Russel,	Wetherill,
Savage,	Wildey,
Server,	Wister,

Trego, *President*.

Journal of the last meeting of Council was read.

Mr. Krider

Presented several Petitions numerous signed, in favor of the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill, at Walnut Street.

Mr. Bobb

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Petition in favor of the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill, at Chestnut Street.

Mr. Baird

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Bobb

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Mascher

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Fitler

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Conrad

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Hacker

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Thompson

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Cooley

Presented one of similar import.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition for the paving of Christian Street, from Gray's Ferry Road to Sutherland Avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Baird

Presented a Petition for the removal of the Market sheds on Market Street.

Mr. Shermer

Presented a Petition for the paving of Little Pine Street, between Sixth and Seventh Streets, and between Lombard and Pine Streets.

Mr. Fish

Presented a Petition for repairing the footwalks on the west side of Ninth Street above Poplar.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Presented a Petition from John Draper, asking that the sum of six hundred dollars, awarded to him as damages for the opening of Sixth St., north of Elwood Lane, may be paid to him.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of Murray Street, from Centre to Spring Garden Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of Centre Street from Seventeenth to Twentieth Streets.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Petition for grading Pratt Street, from Forty-first to Forty-second Streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Also,

A Remonstrance against the paving of Somerset Street in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition for the repeal of a Supplement to an Ordinance approved January 29th, 1855, for the payment of expenses in laying water pipes, &c.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a number of Remonstrances against the construction of a Railway on Chestnut and Walnut Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hacker

Presented an Invitation from M. J. Mitcheson, Esq., Chairman of the Committee, inviting Council to the Floral Festival at Jayne's Hall during the ensuing week.

And moved that the same be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Baird

Presented a Petition from the Hope Hose Company, asking an appropriation to aid them in sustaining a Steam Fire Engine.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Fitler

Presented a Petition from Charles Jewell for compensation for certain work performed for the City.

Also,

A Communication from the Board of Health, enclosing Bills for compiling a Digest of the Resolutions of that body and for Printing.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Presented a Petition for the removal of the building known as the Small Pox Hospital, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Mr. Gordon

Presented one of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on City Property.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Presented a Petition for the laying of water pipes in Centre Street from Seventeenth to Twentieth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for a Gas Lamp at the corner of Eighteenth and North Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Petition from Mrs. Ann Clark, Mrs. Adelaide T. Clark, and others, asking that a reward may be offered for the apprehension of the murderer or murderers of John E. Clark.

Which was referred to the same Committee.

Mr. Gillingham

Presented a Communication from Adam H. Shoemaker, Esq., Alderman of the Sixteenth Ward, asking to be elected Police Magistrate of the Tenth District.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Communication from Edward Hopper, Secretary of the Board of Managers of the Wills' Hospital, requesting Councils to fill vacancies in said Board.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Bill from Messrs. Burr & Thomas, assignees of James Gordon & Co., for the construction of certain Culverts in Huntingdon and Cedar Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for Gas Lamps on Twelfth Street, between Jefferson and Montgomery Streets, in the Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Smedley,

On leave, read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To repeal portions of certain Resolutions, entitled, ‘Resolutions to authorize the paving of Howard Street in the Nineteenth Ward, and other streets, and for other purposes;’ approved May 10, 1858.”

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Thompson

Presented a Remonstrance from a large number of Victuallers occupying stalls in the Market Houses in Market Street, against the removal of said Market Houses.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Reports of Committees being in order,

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City.” (*See Appendix No. 26.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been read a second time,

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to,

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the rules be suspended, and that the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed finally.

Mr. William Conrad

Presented a Report from the Committee on Gas Works upon the Resolution inquiring "By what authority the Philadelphia Gas Works charge the inhabitants of Frankford, Twenty-third Ward, two dollars and fifty cents per thousand cubic feet for Gas." (*See Appendix No. 27.*)

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Report from the Committee on Highways, with four Resolutions annexed, entitled:

Resolutions

To authorize the paving of certain streets in the several wards therein named, and for other purposes. (*See Appendix No. 28.*)

The Report and Resolutions were read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of said Resolutions.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions having been read a second time,

The first Resolution was adopted.

The second Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolutions be postponed for the present.

Which was not agreed to ; and

The third Resolution was adopted.

The fourth Resolution was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Report from the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay certain Fire Companies' expenses incurred in the year 1854.” (*See Appendix No. 29.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Report from the Committee on Poor, with a Resolution annexed, entitled a

Resolution

To pay claims for introducing gas into the Alms House.
(*See Appendix No. 30.*)

The Report and Resolution were read.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a Report from the Committee on Surveys, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

For the construction of a Bridge across the River Schuylkill at Chestnut Street.” (*See Appendix No. 31.*)

Which were read and laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, returning the Petition asking for the construction of a culvert at Front and Spruce Streets, with a recommendation that the Petition be referred to the Committee on Girard Estates.

The Report was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the Petition be referred to the Committee on Girard Estates.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain culvert or

drain, on the line of Twentieth Street northwardly from Arch Street, in the Tenth Ward. (*See Appendix No. 32.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Baird

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Baird

Moved that the rules be suspended, and that the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time by its Title, and passed finally.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a further Report from the same Committee with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

For the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Norris street westwardly from Gunner's Run, in the Eighteenth Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 33.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was then read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved that the rules be suspended, and that the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed finally.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of certain culverts or drains on the lines of Girard Avenue and Arch Street, in the Ninth and Twentieth Wards.” (*See Appendix No. 34.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Baird

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Baird

Moved that the rules be suspended, and that the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time by its Title and passed finally.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a further Report from the same Committee with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the construction of branch culverts or drains.” (*See Appendix No. 35.*)

Which were read and laid on the table.

The same gentleman

Presented a Report from the same Committee with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To fix certain revised line and grade regulations.”

Which were read, and the bill was ordered to be printed. (*See Appendix No. 36.*)

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a further Report from the same Committee with a Resolution annexed. (*See Appendix No. 37.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Baird

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Wister

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“ AN ORDINANCE

To prevent the washing of foot pavements within certain hours.”

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.’

Mr. Mascher

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“A further Supplement to an Ordinance approved January 19th, 1856, entitled ‘An Ordinance to license and regulate Pawn-brokers.’ ”

Which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Kelley

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Trustees of the City Gas Works be requested to inform Councils if any additional legislation is necessary to carry out the provisions of the Ordinance passed May 10, 1858, entitled, “An Ordinance for the further extension of the Philadelphia Gas Works.”

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was then read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Wetherill

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia will hereafter refuse their sanction to the construction of any Passenger Railroad in the City of Philadelphia, unless satisfied that a majority, in measurement, of the owners of property on the streets through which the road is to pass, do not oppose or remonstrate against its construction.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Jones

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the expenses of obtaining satisfaction on two certain mortgages against the estate known as the Manayunk Poor House."

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had concurred in the Resolution to accept the securities of Armstrong I. Flomerfelt, Receiver of Taxes elect, with the following amendment, to wit:

Add at the end of said Resolution the words: "And that the Solicitor be directed to prepare the Bond, in form, to be approved by him, and have the same entered of record."

Mr. Hacker

Moved that this Council concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that Council now proceed to the election of a Trustee of the City Ice Boat.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Nominated Edward C. Knight.

Mr. Mascher

Nominated William C. Patterson.

Messrs. Savage and Kerr were appointed Tellers, who reported that 72 members had voted, of whom,

Messrs. Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, and Trego, *President*,

53, voted for Edward C. Knight.

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Comly, Day, Enyard, Gay, Handy, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, Russel, Schoch, Thompson, and Walsh,

17, voted for William C. Patterson.

Messrs. McIlvain and Megary,

2, voted for Richard Vaux.

The President

Announced that Edward C. Knight was duly elected a Trustee of the City Ice Boat, for the term of three years.

The message from Select Council, relative to the appointment of a Joint Special Committee on "Retrenchment in the Expenditure of the Municipal Government,"

was then taken up, and the Resolution contained therein was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The Preamble was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

And the President appointed Messrs. Hiram Miller, Cooley, Mascher, Luther, and Ellis, on said Committee on the part of Common Council.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had received a Report from the Committee on Law, with a Resolution annexed, entitled,

“A Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to compromise a claim against John Hemphill, a former Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor.”

Which were read.

Mr. Wister

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution having been read a second time,

Mr. Potter

Moved that it be adopted.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Russel, and were as follows:

YEAS:—Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Carson, Case, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gay, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, House,

Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, M'Cahen, Megary, H. Miller, Mingle, Morris, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Shoch, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.—51.

NAYS :—Messrs. Bowker, Cooley, Doerr, Enyard, Gamble, Gheen, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, G. B. Miller, Moyer, Rubicam, Russel, Thompson, Uber and Walsh.—19.

So the Resolution was adopted and Common Council concurred.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had concurred in the Resolution entitled, "A Resolution to pay claims for introducing gas into the Alms House."

Also,

In the Resolution to direct the Chief Commissioner of Highways to inform Council why the Fifth and Sixth Street Passenger Railway Company refuse to lay flag crossings on the streets occupied by said Company, &c.

Also,

In the Resolution to refer the claim of E. N. Creighton to the Committee on Finance, to report an Ordinance for the payment of the same.

Also,

In the Resolutions entitled, "Resolutions to authorize the paving of certain streets in the several wards therein named, and for other purposes."

Also,

In the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain, on the line of Norris Street westwardly from Gunner's Run, in the Eighteenth Ward."

Also,

In the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain, on the line of Twentieth Street northwardly from Arch Street, in the Tenth Ward.

Also,

In the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City."

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Mayor of the City to offer a reward of five hundred dollars."

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Ordinance was read a second time.

Mr. Wister

Moved that its further consideration be postponed, and that it be referred to the Committee on Police.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had concurred in the Resolution, entitled, "A Resolution to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia," with the following amendments: Add at the end thereof the words:

"And provided also, that no warrant shall be drawn for the payment of said claims, until the bills so rendered for said surveys shall be approved by the Committee on Surveys and Regulations."

Which was read.

Mr. M'Cahen

Moved that Common Council concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that Council take up the message from Select Council now on the table, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to lay water pipes in certain streets."

And that Council proceed to the second reading of said Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Pugh

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed, and that it be made the special order for the second meeting in July next.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Hiram Miller and Potter, which were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Carson, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Fisher, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Simons, Smedley, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.—38.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Case, Day, Doerr, Enyard, French, Gay, Gillingham, Heins, Kelley, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, Megary, Hiram Miller, Morris, Potter, Rubicam, Russel, Server, Schoch, Steeling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh.—28.

So the motion was agreed to.

The President submitted the following communication from the Department of Surveys :

OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, }
Philadelphia, June 1st, 1858.

CHARLES B. TREGO, Esq.,
President, Common Council.

DEAR SIR:—In obedience to a rule of Court, I hereby advise Councils, that, agreeably to an Ordinance, a sectional plan has been prepared of that portion of the 22d Ward lying between the Germantown Road and Township Line Road, and the southern line of the 22d Ward and Queen Street.

It is now deposited in this Department, and awaits the action of your Chamber.

Very respectfully,
STRICKLAND KNEASS,
Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Steelling offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on City Property are hereby directed to inquire and report whether the Mayor and Commissioner of City Property, who were authorized by Ordinance, passed November 6th, 1857, appropriating \$2800, for the purpose of erecting a Station House in the 19th Ward, have exceeded said appropriation ; and if so, by what authority, and what payments have been made upon the same.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council, that they had received a Report from the Committee on Railroads, with a Resolution annexed, to discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the Bill referred to them, entitled, "An Ordinance supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, 'An Ordinance relating to certain Passenger Railway Companies.'"

Also,

That they had passed a Resolution, instructing the Committee on Police to confer with the Guardians of the Poor, in reference to inquiring into the matter of the erection of suitable buildings for a House of Correction, &c.

Also,

That they had received a Report from the Joint Special Committee appointed in relation to the West Philadelphia Railway Company crossing the Market Street Bridge, &c., with a Resolution annexed, continuing the Committee with instructions to inquire into, and report upon the best method of effecting the removal of the Market Houses from Market Street.

With a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the West Philadelphia Railway Company, to lay the rails of their road over Market Street Bridge."

Which were read, and laid on the table.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved that the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the election of a Printer and a Stationer for each branch of Councils," be printed and placed on file.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that Council now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 10, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,

Baird,

Brenan,

Bobb,

Bowker,

Brown,

Bullock,

Carson,

Case,

Cattell,

Comly,

Conrad, Osborn,

Conrad, William,

Cooley,

Day,

Dennis,

Dickinson,

Ellis,

Fish,

French,

Gamble,

Gay,

Gheen,

Gillingham,

Haas,

Hacker,

Handy,

Harbert,

Harmer,

Messrs. Heins,

Hodgdon,

House,

Hunter,

Hutchinson,

Jones,

Kelley,

Kelton,

Kersey,

Krider,

Luther,

Manderfield,

Manuel,

Mascher,

McBride,

M'Cahen,

Megary,

Miller, Geo. B.,

Miller, Hiram,

Mingle,

Morris,

Moyer,

Nippes,

Potter,

Pugh,

Quinn,

Riley,

Roats,

Rubicam,

Messrs. Russel,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,

Messrs. Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,

Trego, *President.*

The President

Presented the following Communication from the Board of Health :

HEALTH OFFICE,
Philadelphia, June 10th, 1858. }

At a meeting of the Board of Health held this day, the following Resolutions were adopted, and a copy furnished to Select and Common Councils.

Resolved, That Cohocksink Creek is a nuisance prejudicial to public health.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient for the Board of Health to undertake the culverting of Cohocksink Creek, there being no appropriation for such an undertaking.

Resolved, That the early attention of Councils be called to the disgusting and filthy condition of Cohocksink Creek, which can only be properly remedied by culverting the same.

Extract from the minutes.

Attest—WM. M. RANDALL,
Clerk, Board of Health.

C. B. TREGO, ESQ.,
President of Common Council. }

Which was read.

Mr. Dickinson

Moved to refer the communication to a Select Committee of seven.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Messrs. Dickinson, Wildey, Steelling, Megary, Andress, Mascher, and Morris on said Committee.

Also,

The following communication :

HEALTH OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 7th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—At a meeting of the Board of Health, held this day, the following Preamble and Resolution were on motion unanimously adopted.

Whereas, The warm weather has commenced, and our streets and gutters are in a very filthy condition, calculated to cause disease; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Councils be again urgently solicited to direct the proper authorities to cause the contracts for cleansing the streets and alleys to be more rigidly enforced, in order that sickness may be prevented.

Extract from the minutes.

Attest—WM. M. RANDALL,
Clerk, Board of Health.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Health.

Also,

The following communication from the Guardians of the Poor :

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, June 10th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—At a meeting of the Board of Guardians, held 7th inst, a Resolution was passed, inviting the Mayor and Councils to be present at the Illumination of

the Philadelphia Alms House, this (Thursday) evening June 10th.

In obedience to the same, I have the honor to extend the invitation.

Respectfully yours,

C. U. SCHLATER,

Secretary.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the invitation be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Manderfield

Presented a Petition from the citizens of the Eleventh Precinct of the Second Ward, asking that an Inlet may be constructed at the South-west corner of Christian and Tenth Streets.

And offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Highways be authorized, and is hereby directed, to construct an Inlet at the South-west corner of Christian and Tenth Streets, to connect with the Christian Street Sewer, the expenses thereof to be paid out of the appropriation made to the Department of Highways, agreeably to plans prepared by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

Mr. Steelling

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Baird

Moved to refer the Resolution to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition for the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill at Pine Street.

Mr. Shermer

Presented sundry Petitions for the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill at Walnut Street, or another point south of it.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition from property-holders on Market Street, asking that an alteration may be made in the grade of Market Street, from Twenty-first Street to the Bridge.

Which were severally read, and referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. M'Cahen

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Third Precinct of the Fourth Ward, asking that the place of holding elections may be changed.

Which was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to refer the Petition to a Special Committee, consisting of the members of Council from the Fourth Ward.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition from Thomas Drake asking for

an abatement of the Water Rent during the time his factories had suspended operations.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Remonstrance from property owners and residents on Walnut and Chestnut Streets, against the construction of a railway in said streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The same gentleman

Presented a Communication from James B. Freeman, Esq., Alderman of the Sixth Ward, asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Third Police District.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition from James Murray, asking compensation for examining and comparing Assessment Books in the year 1857.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Petition from Charles M. Hacker, asking relief for injuries done to his property while occupied as a Police Station.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Cooley

Presented a Petition from citizens interested in "the Church Home" for children, asking that water pipes may be laid in a small street running from Twenty-first to Twenty-second Streets north of Pine Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Petition from Jacob Frishmuth, asking that certain overpaid water rents may be refunded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. William Conrad

Presented a Petition from Thomas Craven, agent for John J. Ridgway, asking that certain overpaid Taxes may be refunded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

A Petition from Thomas Craven, agent for J. Rhea Barton and J. J. Ridgway, asking that certain sewers emptying into the Delaware may be extended to the ends of the piers.

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a Petition from owners of property in the Tenth and Fifteenth Wards, asking for the construction of a Culvert in Vine Street west of Nineteenth Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Kersey

Presented a Petition from property owners and residents of the Fifteenth Ward, asking that a certain nuisance may be abated.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Gillingham

Presented a Communication from Frederick Reel, Esq., Alderman of the Sixteenth Ward, asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Seventh Police District.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Petition from Patrick Quinn, asking that the amount overcharged for laying water pipes in front of his property on West Street in the Nineteenth Ward, may be refunded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wildey

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed in Rihl Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Brown

Presented a Petition from citizens and property owners in the Eighteenth Ward, asking that a Culvert may be constructed in Wood Street, from Queen Street to Franklin Avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Communication from Anthony Wilkinson, asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Eleventh Police District.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Russel

Presented a Petition from property owners in the Twentieth Ward, asking that Oxford Street, between Ridge Avenue and Mifflin Lane, may be graded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition from the owners of property in

the Twentieth Ward, asking that Franklin Street, from Girard Avenue to Master Street, may be paved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition from the owners of property in the Twentieth Ward, asking that water pipes may be laid on Franklin Street, between Thompson and Master Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Bowker

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-first Ward, asking that public lamps may be placed in certain streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Communication from John P. Thompson, Esq., asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Twentieth Ward.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition from property owners in the Twenty-second Ward, asking that Armat Street, from Willow Avenue to Main Street, may be graded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition numerously signed, asking that Israel S. Elliott may be elected Police Magistrate for the Twenty-third Ward.

Which was laid on the table.

The same gentleman,

On leave, offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Whereas, It is a matter of common report that there is gross corruption and inattention to duty in the Police

Department of this City as now organized, and that the members of that Department are known to neglect their duty for electioneering purposes, to subserve their private interests; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that a Joint Committee of Councils be appointed, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the expediency of taking measures to have a Police force, whose term of service shall continue during good behaviour, and report to Councils for further action.

And moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to refer the Resolution to the Joint Special Committee on Retrenchment and Reform.

Which was agreed to.

The President

Submitted the following Communication from the Department of Surveys :

DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYS, }
Philadelphia, June 8th, 1858. }

CHARLES B. TREGO, ESQ.,

President, Common Council.

DEAR SIR :—I am requested by the Board of Surveyors to call the attention of Councils to the imperative necessity for the construction of a culvert on Susquehanna Avenue, from Howard Street to the York Street Culvert, by the line of Emerald Street. The grade regulations of that locality are such as to create a basin at Howard Street and Susquehanna Avenue, in which water must accumulate to the serious damage of surrounding property, dependent

solely upon evaporation to avoid a constant pool on Howard Street. The Surveyor and Regulator has been called upon by the Highway Department, for curbing stakes on that ground, and upon his representation, and the futility of endeavoring to make a paved carriage way under the circumstances, they place the matter before your Chamber.

Very respectfully,

STRICKLAND KNEASS,

Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Also,

The following Communication from the Department of Highways:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, }
Philadelphia, June 10th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
Select and Common Councils.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have this day received from R. L. West, Superintendent of City Rail Road, a Communication, of which the following is a copy:

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, }
June 10th, 1858. }

JOHN MCCARTHY, Esq.,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

SIR:—The West Philadelphia Passenger Rail Road Company, in prosecuting the completion of their Road to its eastern terminus at Eighth Street, have removed from the south side of Market Street, between Eighth and Ninth Streets, a portion of the siding belonging to and in the occupancy of the City, without my knowledge, and have

left the Rail Road stone and gravel lying in the middle of the street, which obstructs the travel thereon materially.

Will you be kind enough to inform me by what authority they have done so, and what measures I shall adopt to prevent this injury to the property belonging to the City?

Respectfully yours,

R. L. WEST,

Superintendent, City Rail Road.

It has been represented to me that the removal of the sideling will seriously interfere with and incommode those doing business on and paying tolls for the use of the City Rail Road, and I have felt it to be my duty to inform Councils of the fact, in order that such action may be taken as they may deem proper.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN MCCARTHY,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

Which was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to refer the Communication to the Joint Special Committee on the "West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Offered the following Report from the Committee on Finance, together with a Supplement to a Resolution, entitled, "A Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to compromise a claim against John Hemphill, a former Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor." (*See Appendix No. 38.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, in relation to the claim of George M. Hill, together with a Resolution. (*See Appendix No. 39.*)

Which were read.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, together with a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize a loan to construct certain Culverts.”

And a Resolution providing for the publication of the same, in conformity with law. (*See Appendix No. 40.*)

The Resolution was read a second time,

Considered and adopted.

Mr. Hacker,

From the same Committee, presented a further Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation for the payment of a decree against the City of Philadelphia.” (*See Appendix No. 41.*)

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of said Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been read a second time,

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed for one week.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Mayor being introduced, presented the following message in writing, to wit :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 10th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Joint Resolution has been approved and signed, viz :

On the 8th inst., A Resolution to pay claims for introducing Gas into the Alms House.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was read and laid on the table.

A message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed a Resolution, directing the Commissioner of City Property to remove the tenants from the "Lemon Hill Property," and to employ a superintendant to take care of the same.

Which was read.

Mr. Gay

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution having been read a second time,

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was then adopted.

And Common Council concurred.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that Council proceed to the consideration of an Ordinance, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize a loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of, the Corporation.”

Reported by the Committee on Finance, November 25th, 1857, and duly published according to law.

(See Appendix to Common Council Journal, 1857, '58, page 38, etc.)

Which was agreed to.

The Report and Ordinance referred to having been read, and the clerk having presented copies of the two newspapers in which the said Ordinance was published for four successive weeks, in conformity with law,

Mr. Hacker

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of said Ordinance.

Which was agreed to.

The Ordinance was read a second time, and

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to, and

The Title was agreed to.

And the bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill read a third time by its Title.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Cooley and Kelley, but were not ordered, when

Mr. Kelley

Moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed until Thursday next, and referred to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report thereon.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain, on the line of Carlton Street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 42.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time, and

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Release for the opening of certain streets in the Twenty-fourth Ward. (*See Appendix No. 43.*)

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council proceed to the consideration of the message from Select Council of the 3d inst., with the Resolution annexed, continuing the Joint Special Committee appointed in relation to the West Philadelphia Railway Company crossing the Market Street Bridge, with instructions to inquire into, and report upon the best method of effecting the removal of the Market Houses from Market Street.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed indefinitely.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelton and Wildey.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Enyard, Gamble, Gay, Hunter, Jones, Kelley, Manderfield, McBride, M'Cahen, Moyer, Nippes, Quinn, Shermer, Simon, Thompson, Uber, Walsh, Wildey, and Wright.

NAYS.—Case, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Ellis, Fish, French, Haas, Hacker, Heins,

Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Mascher, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Pugh, Roats, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 24. Nays 33.

So the motion to postpone was not agreed to.

And the Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Common Council that they had passed a Resolution, requesting the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to permit the Engineer of the Second and Third Street Passenger Railway Company to have access to certain plans and surveys in the Survey Department.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Russel offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be instructed to enforce immediately the necessary means of having the filth and dirt removed from the gutters and public streets of the Twentieth Ward, as some of the streets in said Ward have not been cleaned for two years.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved that the same be referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Rail Roads be requested to make their report, respecting the Central Passenger Railway, by the 17th inst.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. M'Cahen offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Police be, and they are hereby instructed to examine the cells of the Station Houses in the several Police Districts, and report to Councils what repairs or alterations in their opinion are necessary at this time.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Whereas, John Matz contracted to cleanse, once in each week, all the streets, lanes, courts, and alleys of the

Seventh District, comprising the Eleventh and Twelfth Wards, by sweeping and scraping the same, and the gutters thereof, thoroughly in every part, and causing the matter collected therefrom to be removed within one hour after the same shall have been collected; and

Whereas, The said John Matz, having refused or neglected to perform said contract, by omitting on several occasions for several consecutive weeks, and more especially for the last month or more, to cleanse large portions of said District, at great risk and inconvenience to the health of the citizens residing therein; therefore, it is

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby directed to have said Seventh District properly cleansed, in accordance with the aforesaid contract; and the expense thereof be deducted from the amount due said contractor.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that they be referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Heins

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 17, 1858.

Council met.

Members present:

Messrs. Brennan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Fish,
Fisher,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,

Messrs. Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
House,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McCahen,
McDonough,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,

Messrs. Quinn,
Riley,
Roats,
Rubicam,
Russel,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simon,
Simons,

Messrs. Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

The Journal of the last meeting of Council was read.

The President submitted the following Communication from the City Commissioners:

CITY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 17, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN:—The Ordinance of April 30, 1858, appropriates five hundred dollars for the expenses of a Special Court of Quarter Sessions, and we find that for the special officers alone, the expense has been four hundred and five dollars, which leaves but ninety five dollars to pay Interpreter and Jurors. We have a Juror List returned to this office amounting to \$800. Also, there is on said return, the names of several Jurors who are not returned for any pay; in reference to which J. Orlando Tobias says, "The names that have not been carried out with the number of days have not been sworn to; when the parties appear in Court, and swear to the same, a certificate will be sent approved by the Judge." There appear to be seventeen in this condition, it will, therefore, require an additional appropriation of \$1,200 to meet that expense.

We would also call your attention to the necessity of making an appropriation to pay for meals for Jurors, inasmuch as the appropriations of January 13th, and April 30th, 1858, are both exhausted, (amount \$750.) There is a Bill now due of over two hundred dollars, and we are of

the opinion that it will require an appropriation of about \$1000 additional, to meet expenses for the remainder of the year.

We are, respectfully, yours,

J. M. LEDDY,
JAMES LOGAN,
EDWARD R. WILLIAMS, } *City Commissioners.*

Also,

The following Communication :

CITY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 17, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—We desire to call your attention to the fact, that the late Council appointed a Committee to examine a map of the Fifth and Sixth Wards, but as they had not sufficient time to give it that consideration which it deserved, we most respectfully ask for a new Committee, and every facility will be cheerfully extended by,

Respectfully yours,

J. M. LEDDY,
EDWARD R. WILLIAMS, } *City Commissioners.*

Also,

The following communication from the City Controller :

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 17th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—I beg leave respectfully to call your attention to the fact that the appropriation "to pay the expenses of an additional session of the Court of Quarter Sessions, for the trial of pending causes," approved April 30, 1858, is nearly exhausted—the balance being only

twelve dollars—and that there are several unsettled claims (of the precise amount of which I am not informed) yet to be presented.

The drafts upon said appropriation have been as follows, to wit :

Appropriation, April 30, 1858,	.	.	\$500 00
Amount drawn for Tipstaves,	.	\$405 00	
“ “ Jurors,	.	82 00	
“ “ Cab hire,	.	1 00	
		<hr/>	488 00
Balance,	.	.	\$12 00

Very respectfully,

S. TAYLOR,

City Controller.

Also,

The following Communication from the Secretary of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund :

Philadelphia, June 17, 1858.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I am directed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to report to Councils that loans of the City, to the amount of fifty-six thousand seventy-eight dollars and twenty-six cents, viz :

Five per cent loans,	.	.	\$54,800 00
Six per cent loans,	.	.	1,278 26
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			\$56,078 26

are due and payable on the first day of July next, and to request, in their name, that an appropriation be made to meet the same.

Very respectfully,

WM. ENGLISH,

Secretary, Com. Sinking Fund.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

The following Communication from the Secretary of the Board of Controllers of the Public Schools:

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLERS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, }
Philadelphia, June 17th, 1858. }

At a Meeting of the Controllers of Public Schools, First District of Pennsylvania, held at the Controllers' Chamber, on Thursday, June 17th, 1858, the following Preamble and Resolution were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The salaries of the teachers and others employed by this Department will be due on the 30th inst., and whereas, the term of the present City Controller does not expire until the 5th of July next; and whereas, the said officer was waited upon by the President of this Board, it having been intimated to him that he would not sign the warrants which fall due at the above date; and whereas, the said City Controller distinctly and positively refused to sign said warrants; therefore,

Resolved, That the City Councils be requested to take such action in the matter, as to require of the Controller the auditing and signing of the warrants due from this Department before the expiration of his term of office.

ROBERT J. HEMPHILL,

Secretary.

To CHARLES B. TREGO, Esq., }
President, Common Council. }

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Schools.

Also,

A Memorial from S. S. Pancoast, calling the attention of Council to the condition of Spring Garden Street between Seventeenth and Nineteenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Memorial from the Board of Managers of the House of Refuge, asking attention to the evils produced by the imperfect drainage from that Institution and its vicinity.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Remonstrance against the laying of water pipes in Church Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Petition for the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill, at Walnut Street, or some point south of it.

Mr. Shermer

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Ketcham

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition for the construction of a Bridge over the River Schuylkill, at Chestnut Street.

Mr. Harbert

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Mascher

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Pugh

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Simons

Presented one of similar import.

Which were severally read, and referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Cooper

Presented a Communication from Alderman C. Brazier of the Sixth Ward, asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Fourth District.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition from property-owners on Mary Street between Twenty-second and Twenty-third Streets, in the Eighth Ward, asking that said street may be paved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hodgdon

Presented a Petition from property-owners on Locust Street between Ninth and Tenth Streets, asking that a nuisance may be abated.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition from owners of property on Johnson Street between Twentieth and Twenty-first Streets, asking that water pipes may be laid in said street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented thirteen Remonstrances against the construction of a Passenger Railway in Chestnut and Walnut Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Communication from Alderman Jacob

Snyder, of the Tenth Ward, asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Sixth District.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Mascher

Presented the Petition of Mr. George Butz, asking permission to construct a private drain on Washington Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Petition of citizens of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking that the Fifth Election Division of that Ward may be divided.

Which was referred to the members of Council from that Ward.

Mr. Steelling

Presented a Petition from the United States Fire Company, asking that Box No. 51, of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, may be removed to their Engine House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Also,

A Communication from Geo. R. Wentz, asking compensation for bodily injuries received by an explosion of Gas, which leaked from the main upon his premises.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Presented two Petitions from property owners on Hamilton Street, in the Fifteenth Ward, asking that water pipes may be laid in said street.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition from citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, asking

that a gas lamp may be placed on the corner of Eighteenth and North Streets.

Mr. Kersey

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed on the corner of Twenty-second and Hamilton Streets.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Remonstrance from the property owners on Scott Street, between Poplar Street and Girard Avenue, against the paving of said street.

Also,

A Remonstrance against the paving of Ringgold Street, between Pratt and Brown Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Communication from Alderman Charles F. Helfricht of the Fifth Ward, asking that he may be elected Police Magistrate of the Third District.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Bill from Dr. Updegraff, for five months' salary, as Vaccine Physician of the Eighteenth Ward, in the year 1854.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition from Hiram Megarge, asking compensation for work done in the Twenty-second Ward, in the year 1854.

Also,

A Petition from James G. Gibson, asking compensation for services as Police Magistrate of the Twenty-second Ward.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition from Dr. James Ash of the Twenty-second Ward, asking compensation for services as Vaccine Physician, in 1856.

Which were severally read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Communication from Henry E. Wallace, Esq., attorney for Enyard & Fitch, stating that they are entitled to a portion of the amount claimed by F. A. Vandyke, Jr., for the construction of the Kensington Water Works.

Also,

A Communication of similar import, from E. S. Fitch.

Which were severally read, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

Two Communications from property owners on Girard Avenue, between Seventh and Tenth Streets, complaining of the manner in which that street is now being paved.

Also,

A Communication from property owners on Fisher Street, in the Nineteenth Ward, complaining of the manner in which said street has recently been paved.

Mr. Bowker

Presented a Petition from property owners on Grape Street, Manayunk, asking that Levering Street, in the Twenty-first Ward, may be graded.

Which were severally read, and referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Jones

Presented a Petition numerously signed by citizens of the Twenty-first Ward, asking that Aldermen Ramsdell may be elected Police Magistrate of that Ward.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition from property owners on Mill Street, in the Twenty-second Ward, asking that gas lamps may be placed on said street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition from property holders in the northern section of the City, asking that a certain street, leading from the Old York Road to the Olney Road, in the Twenty-second Ward, may be opened and placed in travelling condition.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition from the citizens of Nicetown and vicinity, asking that gas lamps may be placed on the east side of Germantown Road, in that neighbourhood.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Resolution annexed, instructing the City Solicitor to cancel a certain bond of David Doane. (*See Appendix No. 44.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the expenses of obtaining satisfaction on two certain Mortgages against the estate known as the Manayunk Poor House.” (*See Appendix No. 45.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize a temporary loan.” (*See Appendix No. 46.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend by adding the following:

SECTION 2. That the authority aforesaid is hereby authorized to borrow, on the credit of the Corporation, the sum of forty thousand dollars, at six per cent. interest, for the purpose of building a school-house in the Fifteenth Ward, and for improvements and alterations at the North-west and North-east Grammar Schools, and at the Francisville School-house and at other schools, as requested by the Board of Control; the said forty thousand dollars to be retained from the amount received from the State of Pennsylvania for school purposes in the First School District; and the said sum to be received from the State being forty thousand dollars, that sum is hereby specially pledged for the payment of the loan named in this section.

Which was read and subsequently withdrawn.

The Title was agreed to; and

The Bill was prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time by its Title, and passed.

The Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Hacker and Megary, and were as follows:

YEAS :—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bul-

lock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McDonough, McIlvain, Megary, H. Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Wright, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 74. Nays none.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report from that Committee with three Resolutions annexed, entitled,

“Resolutions

To authorize the grading of Pratt Street, and Ninth Street, and the construction of a Culvert in Jasper Street, in the Nineteenth Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 47.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolutions.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions were severally read a second time.

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Third Resolution was adopted, and

The Title was adopted.

Mr. Moyer

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department,

presented a Report from that Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Chief Engineer to suspend riotous and disorderly Fire Companies.” (*See Appendix No. 48.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed, and that it be printed for the use of members.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to, and

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Moyer

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hiram Miller

From the Committee on Retrenchment, &c., presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“A SUPPLEMENT

To an Ordinance, approved November 15, 1855, en-

titled 'An Ordinance to re-organize the Police Department of the City of Philadelphia.'" (*See Appendix No. 49.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Dennis

Moved that the Report and Bill be printed, and that the latter be made the special order for Thursday, July 1st.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved to amend by striking out the words "July 1st," and inserting the word "next."

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. McDonough and Mascher.

And being ordered, were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Brown, Cooley, Doerr, Ellis, Fish, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Handy, Harbert, Harmer, Hodgdon, House, Kelley, Kersey, Ketcham, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, Megary, Hiram Miller, Nippes, Potter, Quinn, Roats, Russel, Savage, Server, Schoch, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, and Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bowker, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Dickinson, Enyard, Fisher, French, Gordon, Hacker, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, McDonough, McIlvain, Mingle, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, and Wright.

Yeas 41. Nays 31.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The motion as amended, was agreed to, and the Bill made the special order for Thursday next.

The following Message from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, June 17th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz:

On the 11th inst., A Supplement to a Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to compromise a claim against John Hemphill, a former Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor.

On the 12th inst., An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain, on the line of Twentieth Street, northwardly from Arch Street, in the Tenth Ward.

On the 12th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City.

On the 12th inst., A Resolution requesting the Mayor to enter satisfaction on the Bonds of Wm. L. Hirst, Esq.

On the 12th inst., A Resolution accepting the sureties of A. I. Flomerfelt, Receiver of Taxes.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Dickinson

From the Select Committee on the "Cohocksink Creek Nuisance," presented a Report from that Committee, with a Resolution annexed. (*See Appendix No. 50.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Gordon offered the following

Resolution :

Resolution directing the City Controller to audit certain Bills passed by the Board of Control.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Controller be, and he is hereby ordered to audit the Bills, and sign the Warrants of the teachers, and other miscellaneous Bills passed at the last stated meeting of the Board of Control.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Manderfield offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk be, and he is hereby authorized to have printed one hundred and fifty copies of a diagram of this Chamber, for the use of the members thereof ; also, that one copy be presented to each reporter of this Chamber, for their more ready reference.

And moved that Council proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Resolution relative to the removal of the Water Works on the River Delaware.

Whereas, Experience having shown that the water furnished by the Delaware Works is very impure, being in the summer season impregnated with the offal of dead fish

and other animal matter, rendering the same totally unfit for culinary purposes ; therefore

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Water Works be, and he is hereby directed to furnish this Council with the probable cost of removing the steam-engines and other machinery now employed in said works, to a suitable locality upon the borders of the River Schuylkill, providing suitable buildings therefor, and of a conducing main to connect said works with the basin of the Delaware Works ; and such other information as he may deem necessary, with a view of furnishing the citizens of the 16th, 17th, 18th, and 19th Wards with pure and wholesome water.

Mr. Potter

Moved that the Preamble and Resolution be referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to notify the owners of property on Spring Garden Street between Broad and Sixteenth, to curb and pave their footways within thirty days.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Brown

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That Select Council be informed that Com-

mon Council will meet them in Convention at 5 o'clock on Thursday afternoon next, the 24th inst., for the purpose of electing sixteen Police Magistrates, a Superintendent of Girard Estates, and Agent of Girard Estates.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Wetherill

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Girard Estates be instructed to notify the property-holders on Water Street, who have not complied with an Ordinance in regard to the widening of Water Street, and who have several years since received the damages awarded them, to comply with the same without delay.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Potter

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“ A further Supplement to

THE ORDINANCE

Establishing the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and cleansing of the City, passed August 29, 1854.”

Which was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Retrenchment and Reform.

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To provide a lot of ground for the erection of a Grammar School in the Fifteenth Ward.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on file.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to proceed to the further consideration of the Bill from Select Council, entitled, “An Ordinance to change the names of certain streets, lanes, alleys, &c.”

Mr. Heins

Moved to postpone the motion and the bill for three weeks.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wister

Moved to proceed to the election of three Directors of Girard College.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wister

Nominated Messrs. William Biddle, James J. Boswell, and George C. Bower.

Mr. Russel

Nominated Messrs. Samuel Stevenson, Andrew Miller, and Joseph Sites, M. D.

Messrs. Wister and Day were appointed tellers, who reported that sixty-one gentlemen had voted, of whom :

Messrs. Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham,

Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubincam, Savage, Server, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

52, voted for Messrs. William Biddle, James J. Boswell, and George C. Bower.

And Messrs. Brennan, Day, Kelley, Manderfield, Russell, Thompson, Walsh, and Wright,

8, voted for Messrs. Samuel Stevenson, Andrew Miller, and Joseph Sites, M. D.

Mr. Gay

1, voted for Messrs. James J. Boswell, George C. Bower, and Samuel Stevenson.

The President declared that Messrs. Boswell, Biddle, and Bower had been duly elected Directors of Girard College for the ensuing term.

Mr. Wister

Moved to proceed to the election of three Managers of the Wills' Hospital.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dickinson

Nominated Messrs. Dillwyn Parrish, Charles Ellis, and John C. Farr.

Mr. Brennan

Nominated C. E. Kammerly, C. B. F. O'Neill, and Andrew Jackson Baker.

Messrs. Wister and Day were appointed tellers, who reported that sixty-one gentlemen had voted, of whom :

Messrs. Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr,

Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubincam, Savage, Server, Simons, Steelling, Über, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*,

49, voted for Messrs. Parrish, Ellis, and Farr.

And Messrs. Brennan, Day, Kelley, Manderfield, Mascher, McIlvain, Megary, Russel, Thompson, Walsh, and Wright,

11, voted for Messrs. Kammerly, O'Neill, and Baker.

And Mr. Gordon,

1, voted for Messrs. Ellis, O'Neill, and Baker.

The President declared that Messrs. Parrish, Ellis, and Farr, had been duly elected Managers of the Wills' Hospital for the ensuing term.

The Message from Select Council of June 10th, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a Culvert on Twelfth Street, south of Parrish Street, in the Fourteenth Ward," was read.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time, and

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to, and

The Title was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

A Report of the Committee on Finance, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation for the payment of a decree against the City of Philadelphia,” made the special order for this day, was then taken up.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that its further consideration be postponed, and that the Report and Bill be recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Commissioner of City Property to make certain alterations and repairs in the public buildings.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on file.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 6, on Common Council File, entitled, “A further Supplement to an Ordinance approved January 19, 1856, entitled, ‘An Ordinance to license and regulate Pawnbrokers.’”

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Kelton offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Survey Department be requested to furnish Council, at their next meeting, with a copy of the Resolution passed by the Board of Survey, relative to the City Passenger Railways.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council, that they had passed a Resolution, referring the several Ordinances of the City, regulating Market Houses, to the Committee on Markets, with instructions to report a Bill which shall be more uniform in its provisions.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution and Preamble.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed a Resolution, instructing the Committee on Port Wardens, Public Wharves and Landings, to consider and revise certain Ordinances, authorizing the leasing of the Public Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Cooley

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Fixing the time for the election of all the Heads of Departments, and every other Officer, Director, Trustee, or Warden.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on file.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council, that they had concurred in the Bill, entitled, “An Ordinance authorizing the Chief Engineer to suspend riotous and disorderly Fire Companies.”

Also,

That they had concurred in the “Resolutions to authorize the grading of Pratt Street and Ninth Street, and the construction of a Culvert on Jasper Street, in the Nineteenth Ward.”

Also,

In the Resolution to discharge the Committee on Finance, from the further consideration of the claim of Geo. M. Hill.

Also,

In the Resolution instructing the Committee on Police to examine the cells of Station Houses.

Which were read, and laid on the table.

Mr. Wildey

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 24, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,

Messrs. Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McCahen,
McClellan,
McDonough,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,

Messrs. Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Pugh,
Quinn,
Riley,
Roats,
Rothermel,
Rubicam,
Russel,
Savage,

Messrs. Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,

Trego, *President*.

The Journal of the last meeting of Council was read.

The President presented a Communication from the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, amending their Report relative to the Sinking Fund of the City Debt. (*See Appendix No. 51.*)

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

The following Communications from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor:

DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYS, }
Philadelphia, June 22nd, 1858. }

CHARLES B. TREGO, ESQ.,

President, Common Council.

DEAR SIR:—A Joint Resolution of Councils having passed, “directing the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to allow the Engineer of the Second and Third Street Passenger Railroad to have access to the Plans and Surveys on file in this Dep’t,” and as such Resolution may create an impression, that such access has been prevented; I beg leave to say to the Chamber, that the Engineer of the Second and Third Street Railroad did, on the *Twenty-*

second day of May, make all the extracts from the plans on file in this office, that he required; and that every facility was afforded him to obtain whatever information he desired.

Our Plans and Records are open for public use and inspection, and we trust that no citizen has ever found cause for dissatisfaction at the facilities afforded, as in accordance with duty.

Very respectfully,

STRICKLAND KNEASS,

Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYS, }
Philadelphia, June 24th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—In compliance with a Resolution passed by your Chamber, 17th inst., asking to be furnished with a copy of the Resolution passed by the Board of Surveyors, relative to City Passenger Railways. I herewith present an extract from the minutes of the said Board of the 7th inst., thus,

“Resolved, That hereafter, all plans of Railroads to be laid down in the City of Philadelphia, shall bear upon their face, the heights of the curbing at each intersection of street, each summit and each depression or change of grade along the whole line of any proposed Railroad, as well as the length of squares, and width of main streets, and also the profile of the height of rail along the whole of said Road, so far as the same may be proposed to be laid in said City; and the same be certified as true and correct in every particular by the Surveyor through whose District the same may pass; and said plans shall be left on file in the Office of this Board.”

Very respectfully,

STRICKLAND KNEASS,

Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

Which were read and laid on the table.

Also,

A Communication from Spencer High, asking relief.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Bill from John P. Evans, for bricks furnished to the Third Ward Station House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Bill of John Kain, for removing nuisances by order of the Board of Health.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Day

Presented a Petition, asking that a Fire Plug may be placed in Monroe Street between Third and Fourth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition from Samuel J. Creswell and others, asking that a Culvert may be constructed on Race Street, from Chester to Eighth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Gillingham

Presented a Petition for a Gas Lamp on the west side of Germantown Road, north of New Market Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition from citizens of the Sixteenth Ward, asking that Cohocksink Creek may be culverted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Wagner

Presented sundry Bills from T. W. Price, for printing and stationery for the City Commissioners.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition from numerous citizens of the Nineteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-first Wards, asking that a Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph may be placed on Germantown Road at Seventh Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition from the citizens of the Twenty-second Ward, asking that Coulter Street may be opened and graded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Comly

Presented a Petition for a bridge on the Axe Factory Road, in the Twenty-third Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Smedley

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for a better supply of water.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition from owners of property in Frankford, asking for the construction of a Culvert on Main Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Also,

A Communication from the Chief Engineer of the

Fire Department, reporting the Hope Fire Engine Company, and the Franklin Hose Company, for disobedience of orders.

Which were referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Cattell

Presented an Application from the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company, for permission to lay rails on certain streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Riley

Presented a Petition from George C. Kooker, asking to be appointed Police Magistrate of the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was laid on the table.

Also,

A Communication from the attorney of S. A. Harrison, asking payment for furnaces furnished to the City Buildings.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Willey

Presented a Petition for opening Lemon Street, in the Eighteenth Ward.

Also,

A Communication from Christian Rensimer, relative to the paving of Union Street, in the Eighteenth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Handy

Presented a Petition for a gas lamp on Dock Street, on the north-east side of the Exchange.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Remonstrance from property holders in Frankford, Twenty-third Ward, against striking out "the curbing and paving of the footways in Meadow Street," contained in a Resolution passed May 10, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the sale of City Loans, to pay the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on July 1st, 1858, and to make an appropriation for the payment of the same." (*See Appendix No. 52.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the interest on the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due the First of July, 1858.” (*See Appendix No. 53.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled,

“Resolution approving the securities of George W. Hufty, City Controller.” (*See Appendix No. 54.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Hacker

From the same Committee, to whom was recommitted the Report and Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation for the payment of a decree against the City of Philadelphia,” reported the same as committed, and

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section being under consideration,

Mr. Handy

Moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following:

“On receiving a Bond of Indemnity from Benjamin F. Vandyke, and F. A. Vandyke, indemnifying the City of Philadelphia from all claim of Engard & Fitch, for extra work and materials alleged to have been done, and furnished by the said Engard & Fitch, for the water works of the late district of Kensington, if in the opinion of the City Solicitor, it shall be considered necessary.”

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend the amendment by striking out all after the word Kensington.

Mr. Cooley

Moved that the further consideration of the subject be postponed for the present.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Dennis and McDonough.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Bowker, Cooley, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Epler, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Harbert, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McDonough, McIlvain, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Schoch, and Wetherill.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Bullock, Carson, Case, Comly, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooper, Dennis, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, Hunter, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manderfield, Megary, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Rubicam, Russel, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wash, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 26. Nays 51.

So the motion to postpone was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment to the amendment,

The Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Russel and M'Cahen.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Comly, William Conrad, Cooley, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelley, Ketcham, Krider, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McDonough, McIlvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Russel, Savage, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Walsh, and Wetherill.

NAYS.—Messrs. Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Dennis, Fit-

ler, French, Haas, Handy, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Mingle, Morris, Rothermel, Simons, Smedley, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 58. Nays 22.

So the amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment as amended,

The Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Pugh and Manderfield.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Address, Baird, Brennan, Bowker, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Comly, Cooley, Day, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Harbert, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Ketcham, Krider, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McDonough, Melvain, Megary, Morris, Nippes, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Russel, Savage, Server, Schoch, Steeling, Thompson, Walsh, and Wetherill.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bobb, Brown, Carson, William Conrad, Cooper, Dennis, French, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Rothermel, Simons, Smedley, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*,

Yeas 49. Nays 29.

So the amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

The Second Section, as amended, was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Wagner

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cooley, seconded by Mr. Mascher,

Moved to reconsider the vote upon preparing the Bill for a third reading for the purpose of further amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that the Bill be postponed indefinitely, and that the subject matter be referred to the City Solicitor to take such further proceedings in law as may be necessary to contest the claim of Messrs. Vandyke, against the City.

Which was not agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

The following Message from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 24th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 18th inst., An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain on the line of Norris Street, westwardly from Gunner's Run, in the Eighteenth Ward.

On the 18th inst., A Resolution to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia.

On the 23rd inst., An Ordinance authorizing the Chief Engineer to suspend riotous and disorderly Fire Companies.

On the 23rd inst., Resolutions to authorize the paving of certain streets in the several Wards therein named, and for other purposes.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Also,

A Message from the Mayor with accompanying statements, exhibiting the present number and disposition of the Police force, the returns made to June 1, 1858, the several balances on the 11th of May, 1858, of the appropriations for the current year, and the claims presented for materials furnished, and work done at the different Station Houses, in excess of the special appropriations for construction and repairs. (*See Appendix No. 55.*)

Which were read and laid on the table.

Mr. Hutchinson

From the Committee on Surveys, to whom was referred sundry Petitions for the construction of bridges at Walnut Street and Pine Street, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, declaring it to be inexpedient to construct bridges over the River Schuylkill at the present time, other than as recommended in Ordinance now before Councils. (*See Appendix No. 56.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Day

From the Select Committee composed of members of Council from the Fourth Ward, to whom was referred the Petition of citizens for a change of the place of holding election in the Third Precinct of that Ward, presented the following

Resolution :

Resolution, changing the place of voting in the Third Division of the Fourth Ward.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the elections for the Third Di-

vision of the Fourth Ward shall hereafter be held at the Hotel of Daniel McDonald, on the corner of Second and Monroe Streets, in said Division.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Brown,

On leave, presented a Petition from property owners in Ash Street, between Brown and Duke Streets, asking that lamps may be placed in said street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Ellis

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To regulate the paving of streets, lanes, and alleys.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on file.

Mr. Gordon offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Resolution in relation to the City Post Office.

Whereas, The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia are the representatives of the people's interests and wants, in all that concerns the true welfare of our City, as well in regard to commerce, to manufactures, to art-improvements, and to the general convenience of the whole community. And, *whereas*, the location of the Post Office for the City of Philadelphia is a matter which concerns the whole City, and is likely to be fixed soon by authority of the general government; therefore,

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, the interests of the whole people will be best served by the location of the City Post Office, in the old United States Bank Building, on Chestnut Street above Fourth Street, now used as a Custom House.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to postpone its further consideration indefinitely.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Manderfield

Offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Whereas, The inhabitants residing in the south-eastern section of the City, "south of South Street, and east of Passyunk Road," being at this season of the year (especially on Saturdays) deprived of water in their baths, and a very small supply in their hydrants, are thereby put to a great inconvenience ; therefore,

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer of the Water Works be, and hereby is directed to furnish Councils with a statement of the cause of the deficiency of water on Saturdays in the south-eastern section of the City, also, that the proper remedy be applied to secure to the inhabitants thereof, a full supply of water.

Mr. M'Cahen

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to refer it to the Committee on Water Works.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Morris,

On leave, presented a Remonstrance from property owners on Fifth Street, against paving said street, between Dauphin and York Streets, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

A message was received from Select Council informing Common Council that they had concurred in the Resolution to meet in convention, to elect sixteen Police Magistrates, a Superintendent of Girard Estate, and an Agent of Girard Estate.

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Bullock presented the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to stop the paving of York Street, between Cedar street and Gunner's Run Canal, in the Nineteenth Ward, until the water pipes shall be laid therein.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Cooper offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Highways be instructed to take into consideration, the propriety of causing all the public lamps now in use throughout the City, to be lighted the whole of, and every night throughout the year.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Water are hereby instructed to inquire into the propriety, feasibility and best method of placing public Hydrants at suitable localities in our city, for the use of pedestrians.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

The President and members of Select Council were introduced, and being assembled in convention, the President, Mr. Wharton, announced the object thereof to be the election of an Agent of the Girard Estate, a Superintendent of the Girard Estate, and sixteen Police Magistrates.

Councils proceeded to the election of a Superintendent of Girard Estate.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 96 votes had been cast, of which

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

10, voted for A. W. Juvenal.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Conrad O., Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

60, voted for A. W. Juvenal.

In all, 70 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Nathans, Williams, Wharton, *President*,

6, voted for George F. Goodman.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Comly, Day, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, McBride, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Thompson, Walsh,

20, voted for George F. Goodman.

In all, 26 votes.

The President

Declared that A. W. Juvenal, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected Superintendent of the Girard Estate.

Councils then went into an election for an Agent of the Girard Estate.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 96 votes had been cast, of which

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringham, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

10, voted for William Elliott.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Conrad O., Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Si-

mons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wil-
dey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

60, voted for William Elliott.

In all, 70 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Nathans, Williams,
Wharton, *President*,

6, voted for Jacob A. Fisler.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Comly, Day, Enyard, Epler,
Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, McBride,
M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Quinn, Russel, Thompson,
Walsh,

20, voted for Jacob A. Fisler.

In all, 26 votes.

The President

Declared that William Elliott, having received the
highest number of votes cast, was declared duly elected
Agent of the Girard Estate.

Councils then proceeded to the election of sixteen Po-
lice Magistrates.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 76 votes
had been cast, of which

Select Council,

Messrs. Cornman, Davis, Enos, Parker, Thompson,

5, voted for R. C. Tittermary, William Allen, James B.
Freeman, C. Brazer, George Patchell, Jacob Snyder, Wm.
H. Butler, Joseph Plankinton, William G. Conrow, A. H.
Shoemaker, John Clouds, J. C. Killinger, O. L. Ramsdell,
Joseph King, Jr., Israel S. Elliott, Benj. F. Warren.

Common Council,

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case, Gattell, Conrad O., Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wildey,

48, voted for R. C. Tittermary, William Allen, James B. Freeman, C. Brazer, George Patchell, Jacob Snyder, Wm. H. Butler, Joseph Plankinton, William G. Conrow, A. H. Shoemaker, John Clouds, J. C. Killinger, O. L. Ramsdell, Joseph King, Jr., Israel S. Elliott, Benj. F. Warren.

In all, 53 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Ford, McIntyre, Neal,

3, voted for R. C. Tittermary, James B. Freeman, C. Brazer, George Patchell, Jacob Snyder, William H. Butler, Joseph Plankinton, Wm. G. Conrow, A. H. Shoemaker, John Clouds, J. C. Killinger, O. L. Ramsdell, Jos. King, Jr., Israel S. Elliott, Benj. F. Warren.

Common Council,

Messrs. Ellis, Fish, Gillingham, Haas, Hodgdon, Wister, Trego, *President*,

7, voted for R. C. Tittermary, James B. Freeman, C. Brazer, George Patchell, Jacob Snyder, William H. Butler, Joseph Plankinton, William G. Conrow, A. H. Shoemaker, John Clouds, J. C. Killinger, O. L. Ramsdell, Jos. King, Jr., Israel S. Elliott, Benj. F. Warren.

Common Council,

Mr. Nippes,

1, voted for R. C. Tittermary, William Allen, James B. Freeman, George Patchell, Jacob Snyder, William H.

Butler, Joseph Plankinton, Wm. G. Conrow, A. H. Shoemaker, John Clouds, J. C. Killinger, O. L. Ramsdell, Jos. King, Jr., Israel S. Elliott, Benj. F. Warren, Peter Hays.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton,
President,

5, voted for James Gordon, R. T. Carter, Geo. Moore, Peter Hay, John Coulter, Charles H. Helffricht, George W. Williams, William Shane, F. W. Binder, John Devlin, S. Field, Aquila Haines, John B. Gibson, James G. Gibson, F. McConaughy, Joseph G. Miller.

Common Council,

Messrs. Brenan, Epler, Kelley, Kerr, McIlvain, Thompson, Walsh,

7, voted for James Gordon, R. T. Carter, Geo. Moore, John Coulter, Charles H. Helffricht, George W. Williams, William Shane, Peter Hay, F. W. Binder, John Devlin, S. Field, Aquila Haines, J. B. Gibson, J. G. Gibson, F. McConaughy, Joseph G. Miller.

Common Council,

Mr. Megary,

1, voted for William Allen, James Gordon, George Moore, John Coulter, Charles H. Helffricht, George W. Williams, William Shane, Peter Hay, F. W. Binder, Stuart Field, Aquila Haines, J. B. Gibson, J. G. Gibson, F. McConaughy, J. G. Miller.

R. C. Tittermary having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected Police Magistrate for one year, for the First Police District;

William Allen, for the Second District;

James B. Freeman, for the Third District;

C. Brazer, for the Fourth District;

George Patchell, for the Fifth District;

Jacob Snyder, for the Sixth District ;
William H. Butler, for the Seventh District ;
Joseph Plankinton, for the Eighth District ;
William G. Conrow, for the Ninth District ;
A. H. Shoemaker, for the Tenth District ;
John Clouds, for the Eleventh District ;
J. C. Killinger, for the Twelfth District ;
O. L. Ramsdell, for the Thirteenth District ;
Joseph King, Jr., for the Fourteenth District ;
Israel S. Elliott, for the Fifteenth District ;
Benjamin F. Warren, for the Sixteenth District.

Mr. Wister

Asked leave to introduce a Resolution, providing that when this Convention adjourns, it will adjourn to meet on Thursday next, July 1st, at 5 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing the several Heads of the Departments of City government, as prescribed by law.

The President, Mr. Wharton, stated that under the joint rules of Councils, no business can be transacted in Convention excepting such as shall have been previously agreed upon by concurrent Resolution. "Rule 12."

He therefore declared such a Resolution to be out of order.

He also announced that the business for which the Convention had assembled having been finished, the Convention was dissolved.

The members of Select Council retired to their own Chamber.

Mr. Wister offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Select Council be informed that Common Council will meet them in Convention at 5 o'clock, on Thursday afternoon next, to elect a Chief Commissioner of Highways; two Commissioners of Highways; a Com-

missioner of City Property ; a Superintendent of Railroads ; a Chief Engineer of the Water Department, and a Superintendent of Trusts.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by striking out "1st of July," and insert "29th of July."

The President

Declared the amendment not in order, inasmuch as the law directs that the election of the officers specified in the Resolution, shall take place at the first stated meeting in July.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Hacker

Presented the following Communication from A. W. Juvenal :

*To the President and Members of the
Select and Common Councils.*

Abraham W. Juvenal, for the position of Superintendent of Girard Estates, offers as his securities Wm. W. Juvenal, Washington Street above Eleventh, and Jacob Dowler, Eleventh Street above Coates Street.

With respect,
A. W. JUVENAL,
per W. W. J.

June 24th, 1858.

Also,

The following Communication from William Elliott :

*To the President and Members of the
Select and Common Councils.*

William Elliott, for the position of Agent of Girard Estates, offers as his securities Edwin Greble, Nineteenth

Street above Walnut Street, and Joseph Shermer, north-east corner of Eighth and South Streets.

With respect,
WILLIAM ELLIOTT.

Which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing Common Council that they had received a Report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution to lay water pipes in Johnson Street," which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Mr. Gay

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to postpone its further consideration for the present.

On this motion, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Hiram Miller and Kelley.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Bowker, Cattell, Comly, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Fisher, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Haas, Harbert, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Geo. B. Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Rothermel, Savage, Shermer, Smedley, Uber, Wagner, and Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Carson, Case, Ellis, French, Gay, Hacker, Heins, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Kriider, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, Melvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Morris, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Russel, Server, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Walsh, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 33. Nays 33.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the final passage of the Resolution,

The Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Kerr and Hiram Miller.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Case, Ellis, French, Gay, Heins, Kelley, Kerr, Krider, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Morris, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Russel, Server, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andress, Bowker, Carson, Cattell, Comly, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Haas, Harmer, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Geo. B. Miller, Nippes, Rothermel, Savage, Shermer, Uber, and Wildey.

Yeas 32. Nays 30.

And the Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing Common Council, that they had received a Report from the Committee on Water Works, with Resolutions annexed, declaring it inexpedient to grant the Petition of certain parties for permission to establish a refreshment stand in the saloon at Fairmount, and discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject ; which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Which was read.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to proceed to the second reading of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Also,

A Message informing Council that they have passed a Resolution to meet Common Council in convention at the stated meeting to be held July 29th, to elect Heads of the several Departments, and other officers; in which they ask concurrence.

Which was read.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the Clerk be directed to return to Select Council without remark the Message just received.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to amend by substituting a Message, informing Select Council that this Council non-concur in their Resolution.

Mr. Hacker

Offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Resolved, That Common Council cannot concur in the Resolution of Select Council to meet in convention on Thursday, the 29th of July, for the purpose of electing the several Heads of Departments of the City Government, as the law has fixed the first meeting of July for the purpose named, and they therefore insist upon their Resolution inviting Select Council to meet them in convention on the 1st day of July next.

Mr. Dennis

Withdrew his amendment.

The amendment offered by Mr. Hacker was agreed to.

The motion as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Also,

A Message informing Council that they had received a Report from the Committee on Water Works, with Resolutions annexed, declaring it inexpedient to grant the Petition of Patrick Quinn, for the refunding of a certain over-payment on water pipes, and discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject; which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Which was read.

Mr. Wildey

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolutions.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions were read a second time.

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Also,

A Message informing Council that they had received a Report from the Committee on Railroads, with a Resolution annexed, granting permission to the Citizen's Passenger Railway Company, to lay rails along Columbia Avenue, from Tenth to Eleventh Streets.

Which was read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

A Message informing Council that they had received a further Report from the Committee on Railroads, with a Bill annexed, entitled "An Ordinance supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, 'An Ordinance to regulate Passenger Railways, approved July 7th, 1857,'" which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Which were read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution from Select Council of the 17th inst., entitled, "A Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to draw warrants in favor of certain persons."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed until Thursday, July 29th.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. M'Cahen

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill No. 4, on Common Council File, enti-

tled, "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of Branch Culverts or Drains."

Mr. Mascher, seconded by Mr. Kerr,

Moved a call of the House.

Which was ordered, and the following gentlemen answered to their names, to wit:

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Ellis, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kerr, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Mascher, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

48 members answering to their names,

The President

Declared that there was a quorum present.

The question recurring on the motion to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 4,

It was not agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to adjourn.

On this question, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs Fitler and Hutchinson,

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bullock, Kelley, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Rothermel, Rubicam, Steelling, Thompson, and Wagner.

NAYS.—Messrs. Address, Bobb, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ket-

cham, Krider, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Uber, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 9, Nays 29.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance, approved November 15th, 1855, entitled, 'An Ordinance to Re-organize the Police Department of the City of Philadelphia.' "

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the motion be postponed.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council informing this Council that they had concurred in the Resolution relative to the widening of Water Street.

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution changing the place of voting in the Third Division of the Fourth Ward."

Also,

In the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the sale of City Loans, to pay the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on July 1st, 1858, and to make an appropriation for payment of the same."

Also,

In the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation for the payment of a decree against the City of Philadelphia."

Also,

In the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize a Temporary Loan."

Also,

In the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay the interest on the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due July 1st, 1858."

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the Sureties of George W. Hufty, City Controller."

Which were read and laid on the table.

Mr. Bullock

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, that a joint meeting of the Select and Common Councils be held in the Chamber of Common Council, at 5 o'clock, P. M., on Thursday, July 1, 1858, to elect Heads of Departments of the City Government, in pursuance of law.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that Council now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, July 1, 1858.

Council met.

Members present:

Messrs. Andress,

Baird,

Brenan,

Bobb,

Bowker,

Brown,

Bullock,

Carson,

Case,

Cattell,

Conrad, Osborn,

Conrad, William,

Cooley,

Cooper,

Day,

Dennis,

Doerr,

Dickinson,

Eckfeldt,

Ellis,

Fish,

Fisher,

French,

Gamble,

Gay,

Gheen,

Gillingham,

Gordon,

Haas,

Hacker,

Harbert,

Harmer,

Heins,

Hodgdon,

Holmes,

Messrs. House,

Hunter,

Hutchinson,

Jones,

Kelley,

Kelton,

Kerr,

Kersey,

Ketcham,

Krider,

Luther,

Manderfield,

Manuel,

Mascher,

McBride,

McCahen,

McClellan,

McDonough,

McIlvain,

Megary,

Miller, Geo. B.,

Miller, Hiram,

Mingle,

Morris,

Moyer,

Nippes,

Potter,

Pugh,

Riley,

Roats,

Rothermel,

Rubicam,

Russel,

Savage,

Server,

Messrs. Shermer,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,

Messrs. Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

The President

Presented the following Communication :

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. }
Philadelphia, June 24th, 1858. }

GENTLEMEN :—The Annual Commencement of the University of Pennsylvania, for conferring degrees in the Arts, will be held on Friday, the second day of July, in the Musical Fund Hall. The Faculty, respectfully inviting you to be present at the exercises, would be happy to have you join the Procession, which will leave the College Hall at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE ALLEN,

Secretary of the Faculty of Arts.

To the Honorable the Common Council.

Mr. Day

Moved that the invitation be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

The following Communication from the Guardians of the Poor :

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, July 1st, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—The Board of Guardians respectfully request Councils to make an appropriation of \$887.42, to meet Disbursement Bills of Charles Murphy, Steward of the Alms House, and also \$549.00 for three months' pay

roll of subordinate officers in the Institution, for the months of October, November, and December, 1857. It will be seen by reference to the Report of the Finance Committee of March 18th, 1858, that an appropriation was made to this Department, to meet deficiency bills of 1857, yet these bills were rejected (to use the language of the Committee) on account of their "doubtful propriety," although bills of a similar character precisely were audited and signed by the Controller, so long as the amount appropriated warranted the same. Unfortunately this amount was not sufficient to meet the Steward's bills, and this Board is now obliged to ask of your honorable body to refund a sum actually expended by the Steward for Marketing, &c., consumed in the Institution, as well as to pay the wages of 60 persons on the pay roll, who have received no compensation for their services during the above mentioned time.

Trusting the application may receive at your hands a favorable consideration.

I remain yours,

C. U. SCHLATER,

Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Poor.

Also,

The following communication :

OFFICE, GAS WORKS, }
Philadelphia, July 1st, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Application having been made by the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Co. for a renewal of their present contract for a supply of gas, I am directed by the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works to lay the same before Councils for their action thereon.

Very respectfully,

ANDREW C. CRAIG,

President of the Trustees.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Also,

The following Communication :

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

Having completed the arrangements for supplying my Steam Fire Pump with water from the Chestnut Street main, under authority of the City Government, I respectfully invite your honorable bodies with the Heads of the Departments, to be present at an exhibition of its powers on Friday morning, July 2, at four o'clock.

Very respectfully, yours &c.

DAVID JAYNE.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the invitation be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

The following Communication :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, }
Philadelphia, June 25th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
Select and Common Councils.*

GENTLEMEN :—On the 24th day of June, I received the following Resolution passed by Councils on the 27th day of May last :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to inform Councils, why the Fifth and Sixth Street Passenger Railway Company refuse to lay flag crossings on the streets occupied by said Railroad Company, as required by the Ordinance, approved July 7th, 1857.

In reply, I beg leave to state that I have addressed a Communication, enclosing a copy of the Resolution, to the President of the Fifth and Sixth Street Passenger Railway Company, to which I have received no reply, and consequently cannot furnish Councils with the reason why they do not lay the crossings on Fifth and Sixth Streets.

I have also addressed them several communications, calling their attention to the waste gravel that is allowed to remain upon the street, left by men engaged by them in repairing, and so far my endeavours to induce them to clean the streets has failed.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN MCCARTHY,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

Which was laid on the table.

Also,

A Communication from John Alexander, asking that a claim for costs may be compromised.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Wildey,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolution, relative to the Kensington Water Works.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer of the Water Department be, and he is hereby required to drain the water from the reservoirs of the Kensington Water Works, and furnish citizens, at present supplied from said Kensington Water Works, with water from the Schuylkill Works. And also, that he comply with the Joint Resolution of Councils, passed July 23d, 1857, authorizing iron pipe to be placed at the Water Works Wharf, for the better protection of the water.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Gay

Moved to divide the Resolution, after the words "Schuylkill Works."

Which was agreed to.

The First Division was adopted.

Mr. Potter

Moved to refer the Second Division to the Committee on Water Works.

Which was agreed to.

The following Message from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, July 1st, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 26th ult., An Ordinance to authorize the sale of City Loans, to pay the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on July 1st, 1858, and to make an appropriation for the payment of the same.

On the 26th ult., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay the interest on the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on the 1st day of July, 1858.

On the 26th ult., A Resolution, changing the place of voting in the Third Division of the Fourth Ward.

On the 26th ult., A Resolution, approving the Sureties of George W. Hufty, City Controller.

On the 30th ult., An Ordinance to authorize a Temporary Loan.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was read, and laid on the table.

Council proceeded to the consideration of a Message from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed a Resolution to meet Common Council in convention, on Thursday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Chief Engineer of the Water Department, and a Commissioner of City Property.

Which was read a second time.

Mr. Day

Moved to amend by adding the words, "and a Chief Commissioner of Highways, two Commissioners of Highways, and a Superintendent of City Railroads."

The President

Decided that the amendment was not in order, as the Resolution was one of information only.

The Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Manderfield

Presented a Petition from property owners in the Second Ward, asking that water pipes may be laid in Sixth Street, between Prime and Federal Streets.

Also,

A Petition from residents of First and Second Wards, asking for a better supply of water.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Nineteenth Ward, asking that water pipes may be laid in York Street, from Cedar Street to Gunner's Run.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking that water pipes may be laid on Hamilton Street, between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth Streets.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, asking for a better supply of water.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Potter

Presented the following Communication from Albert Potts, Esq. :

*To the Honorable the Select and Common
Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

The Petition of the subscriber, a citizen of Philadelphia, respectfully sheweth: That he has recently invented a new and useful improvement in Municipal Letter Boxes, whereby said letter boxes are readily and securely attached to the lamp posts as they are now ordinarily constructed and erected throughout the City, and for which he has secured, and now holds, Letters Patent, bearing date, March 9th, 1858. That the said improvement has been exhibited to the Post Office Department, both here and at Washington, and is approved by them. With the view, therefore, to its introduction into use in this City, I respectfully solicit your honorable bodies to grant the privilege of attaching said letter boxes to any of the public lamp posts, within the delivery of the Philadelphia Post Office, to the United States, represented by the Postmaster of Philadelphia, should an arrangement be made for that purpose. Drawings showing the style and mode of attaching said letter boxes are herewith presented. In soliciting the right herein prayed for, your petitioner verily believes that the letter boxes, when introduced by the Post Office Department, will add greatly to the postal facilities of the community; inasmuch as it will enable all citizens within the Post Office delivery, however remote from the Central Office, to deposit their letters in said boxes, almost

at their own doors, and to have said letters carried thence, shortly afterward, and mailed or delivered in the City, by the agents of the Post Office. It will be much safer and better than the present plan, by the location of tin letter boxes, in hotels, grocery stores, and other private places, as the boxes when placed on the lamp posts, say at every alternate intersection of the principal streets, would be accessible at all hours of the day and night, and easily found by every stranger visiting the City.

Your petitioner therefore respectfully prays your honorable bodies to enact an Ordinance, granting to the United States the right to attach said letter boxes to the lamp posts aforesaid for postal purposes only. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

ALBERT POTTS.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved to refer it to a Special Committee of three.

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Potter, Wetherill, and Megary, were appointed the Committee.

Mr. Day,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That Select Council be invited to meet Common Council in Joint Convention, in Common Council chamber this afternoon at 4 o'clock, to elect a Chief Commissioner of Highways, and two Commissioners of Highways, also, a Superintendent of City Railroads.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Remonstrance from property owners and residents on Chestnut and Walnut Streets, against the construction of a Railway in said streets.

Also,

A Remonstrance from property owners and residents on the south side of Market Street, west of Eighth Street, against the re-construction of a piece of track on said street.

Which were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Moyer

Presented the following Communication :

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 1st, 1858. }

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the Resolution approved June 23rd, 1858, I beg leave to report the Moyamensing Hose Company to your honorable bodies for the following reasons:

On the night of the 28th inst., a fire took place in the Allegheny House, located on the south side of Market Street above Eighth, and while the Companies were in service, the Shiffler Hose Company with their apparatus came up Eighth Street from Chestnut, without any extra demonstration usual upon such occasions, and while in the act of crossing Market Street, from eight to twelve pistol shots were fired in the direction of their (the Shiffler's) carriage. I immediately made my appearance and was met by a member of the Shiffler, whom I recognized by his voice, as their President, and he exclaimed, "My God, Chief, see how we are shot down." I then proceeded down Eighth Street, till I got to the south line of Market Street, I there discovered a quantity of the members of the Moyamensing, with a large crowd of persons around their carriage, that being the locality from which the shots had just come from, I then saw a man jump upon the tongue of the Moyamensing's carriage, and extinguish the light in their signal lamp, which is placed over their bells. I immediately advanced towards the front of the carriage, and remonstrated with their men in a loud voice, by saying, that it looked very bad upon their part, when one of their most active members exclaimed, that the lamp was bursted. I imme-

diately answered, that I saw no defect in it, and insisted upon its being lighted, for the purpose of seeing if such was the fact; the lamp was lighted again, and I could not see or discover any defect in it.

These circumstances having been stated to the Mayor of the City, who, after a few moments' deliberation informed me that I, as Chief Engineer, would be justifiable in suspending the Moyamensing until the case would be investigated by your honorable body. I have, therefore, suspended them, and now submit the matter for your consideration.

Yours, very respectfully,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Wildey

Presented a Bill from Messrs. Thomas & Brown, for stair work in the Nineteenth Ward Station House.

Which was referred to the Committee on City Property.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Remonstrance numerously signed, against altering the route of the Citizens' Passenger Railroad.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also,

A Communication from the Eagle Hose Company, asking to be admitted to the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Bowker

Presented a Bill from James Morrison, M. D., for services as Vaccine Physician in the year 1856.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-second Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed at the corner of Green and School Streets in that Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Communication from Joseph Nauer, asking that a balance due to him on a contract for constructing a Culvert, may be paid.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Day

Presented a Remonstrance from property owners on Long Lane, in the First Ward, against the paving of said highway.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Resolution accepting the sureties of William Elliott, Agent of the Girard Estate. (*See Appendix No. 57.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Commissioner of City Property to

purchase property against which the City may hold Mortgages in certain cases." (*See Appendix No. 58.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the interest on the Temporary Loan." (*See Appendix No. 59.*)

Which were read.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

The President and Members of Select Council were introduced, and being assembled in Convention,

The President, Mr. Wharton,

Announced the object thereof to be the election of a Chief Engineer of the Water Department, and a Commissioner of City Property.

The Convention then went into an election for a Chief Engineer of the Water Department.

Mr. Potter

Nominated H. P. M. Birkinbine.

Mr. Holmes

Nominated Frederick Graff.

Mr. McIlvain

Nominated Samuel Ogden.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 102 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for H. P. M. Birkinbine.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Comly, Conrad O., Conrad W., Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hack-

er, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Roth-
ermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

66, voted for H. P. M. Birkinbine.

In all, 77 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Bradford, Cuyler, Norman, Williams, Wharton, *President*,

6, voted for Frederick Graff.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Day, Epler, Gay, Holmes, Kelley, Manderfield, M'Cahen, McDonough,

10, voted for Frederick Graff.

Select Council,

Messrs. Loughlin and Schofield,

2, voted for Samuel Ogden.

Common Council,

Messrs. Kerr, Mascher, McClean, McIlvain, Russel, Thompson, Walsh,

7, voted for Samuel Ogden.

The President

Declared that H. P. M. Birkinbine, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected Chief Engineer of the Water Department.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Commissioner of City Property.

Mr. Bringhurst

Nominated Jesse M. Christopher.

Mr. Cuyler

Nominated Eugene Ahern.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 94 votes had been cast, of which

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringham, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for Jesse M. Christopher.

Common Council,

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Conrad O., Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

62, voted for Jesse M. Christopher.

In all, 73 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Cuyler, Loughlin, Norman, Schofield, Williams, Wharton, *President*,

6, voted for Eugene Ahern.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Epler, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, McClean, McDonough, McIlvain, Megary, Thompson, Walsh, Wright,

15, voted for Eugene Ahern.

The President

Declared that Jesse M. Christopher, having received

the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected Commissioner of City Property for the ensuing year.

And announced that the business for which the convention had assembled, having been finished, the convention was dissolved.

The members of Select Council retired from the chamber.

Mr. Steelling,

On leave, presented a Report from the Select Committee of eleven, appointed to consider and determine the case of the Contested Election of James Russel, Esq., of the Twentieth Ward, declaring the contestant, William Eckfeldt, Esq., entitled to a seat as a member of Common Council from said Ward, together with a Resolution to discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 60.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A Bill of expenses for summoning witnesses in said case, &c.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Bill of expenses in the case of the contested election of Thomas Potter of the Fifteenth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Russel

Asked leave to address Council.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the gentleman have leave.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Russel

Made a statement.

The Report of the Committee was accepted.

The President

Declared Mr. Eckfeldt entitled to his seat as a member of Common Council from the Twentieth Ward.

Mr. Eckfeldt,

Being duly qualified by the President, took his seat.

Mr. Luther

Presented the following Preamble and Resolutions :

Whereas, By an Act of Assembly, passed at their last session, it was provided that the Councils of the City of Philadelphia should elect an Inspector of Buildings for three years from the first Monday of July, 1858 ; and *whereas*, said Councils elected one B. F. Wright said Inspector ; therefore,

Resolved, That said election be declared null and void, for the following reasons, to wit :

1st. Said B. F. Wright was rendered ineligible by the Act of Consolidation, being elected to position as a member of Council, and his term not having expired as a member of Council.

2nd. The resignation of said B. F. Wright did not in law render him eligible, and Councils having failed to elect a person eligible, therefore a vacancy exists in said Board of Building Inspectors.

Resolved, That said vacancy be filled at an early day.

Which were referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Gordon

Offered the following Preamble and

Resolutions :

Whereas, The commemoration of our National Independence is a sacred duty, not to be neglected, nor triflingly put aside ; and *whereas*, a love for ancestral memories should be ardently cherished, and a thankful respect

paid to the men who so nobly laid the broad and deep foundations of our great independence, and a perennial and never ceasing thankfulness to the "*Power which made, and preserves us a nation.*"

Resolved, That Common Council meet on the 5th of July, at 12 o'clock, M., to commemorate the day which gave birth to our National Independence.

Resolved, That the commemorative exercises of the day consist of—

1st. Reading a portion of the Bible.

2d. The acknowledgment of God in prayer.

3d. Reading of the Declaration of Independence.

4th. Reading of Washington's Farewell Address.

And that a committee of five be appointed to make arrangements and carry out the same.

Resolved, That we recommend that the joy bells of Christ's Church, St. Stephen's, and St. Peter's, and the bells of all Churches, Factories, and Fire Companies, be rung from 6 to 7 in the morning, from 12 to 1 at noon, and from 6 to 8 in the evening.

Resolved, That a Band of Music be placed in the following Public Squares, to play national airs from 6 to 11 in the evening, the 5th of July, viz:—Independence, Washington, Logan, Jefferson, and Rittenhouse Squares, and that the Committee attend to the same.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

On this motion the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Gordon and Kerr.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Bowker, Case, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fisher, Gamble, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Ketcham, Luther, Manderfield, McDonough, Megary, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Rubicam, Savage, Simons, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wister, and Trego, *President*,

NAYS.—Messrs. Bobb, Bullock, Carson, Cattell, Doerr, Ellis, Epler, Fish, French, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Heins, Holmes, House, Hunter, Kerr, Kersey, Krider, McBride, McClean, Nippes, Server, Shermer, Simon, Smedley, Steelling, Wetherill, and Wildey.

Yeas 41. Nays 29.

The motion was agreed to.

The First Resolution having been read,

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend by adding thereto the words, "and that George F. Gordon, Esq., be invited to deliver an oration upon the occasion."

On this motion, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Dennis and Wildey.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Doerr, Epler, Fish, French, Gamble, Gillingham, Heins, Holmes, Jones, Kerr, Manderfield, McClean, McDonough, McIlvain, George B. Miller, Roats, Savage, Server, Simon, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, and Wetherill.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andress, Baird, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Eckfeldt, Fisher, Gay, Gheen, Gordon, Harbert, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Megary, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Rothermel, Rubicam, Shermer, Smedley, Uber, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 29. Nays 42.

The amendment was not agreed to.

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Third Resolution being read,

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by adding thereto the words, "provided that no expense to the City be incurred thereby."

Mr. Kelley

Moved to lay the motion to amend on the table.

On this question, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelley and M'Cahen.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Carson, Cooley, Dickinson, French, Kelley, Manderfield, M'Cahen, McClean, McDonough, Megary, Nippes, Riley, Thompson, and Walsh.

NAYS.—Messrs. Address, Bullock, Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Epler, Fisher, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Luther, Manuel, Moyer, Roats, Rothermel, Savage, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Uber, Wildey, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 16. Nays 34.

The motion was not agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

The question recurring on the passage of the Third Resolution, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. McIlvain and Thompson.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Epler, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Ketcham, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, McBride, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wildey, and Wister.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brenan, Carson, Ellis, French,

M'Cahen, McClean, McIlvain, Megary, Nippes, Potter, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 46. Nays 11.

The Third Resolution was adopted as amended.

The Fourth Resolution having been read,

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by adding thereto the words, "and provided that no expense to the City be incurred thereby."

The amendment was agreed to.

The Fourth Resolution was adopted as amended.

The President

Announced that he had appointed the Committee under the Resolution, Messrs. Gordon, Dennis, Day, Heins, and G. B. Miller.

Mr. Wister offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the Fourth of July, be requested to invite a suitable person to deliver an oration in this chamber on the 5th instant at 12 o'clock, M.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend, by striking out the words, "a suitable person," and inserting "George F. Gordon, Esq."

Mr. Pugh

Moved to postpone the consideration of the amendment indefinitely.

Which was not agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved to amend the amendment, by striking out the words "George F. Gordon," and inserting "John F. Mascher."

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the passage of the Resolution, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelley and Baird,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Carson, Cooper, Doerr, Epler, Fisher, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Kelton, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, Megary, Mingle, Moyer, Rubieam, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Walsh, Wildey, and Wister.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cooley, Dennis Dickinson, Eckfeldt, French, Gay, Holmes, Kelley, Morris, Roats, Rothermel, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas, 26. Nays, 12.

A quorum of members not having voted, the President decided the Resolution lost.

Mr. Baird

Moved to adjourn.

On this motion, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Kerr,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Carson, Epler, Gordon, Jones, Kerr, Luther, Megary, and Steelling.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bullock, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Kelley, Kelton, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, Mingle, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rothermel, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Thompson, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas, 9. Nays, 43.

The motion was not agreed to.

Mr. M'Cahen,

Seconded by Mr. Baird, moved to reconsider the vote on the Resolution offered by Mr. Wister.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Cooley

Presented the Petition of citizens of the Twelfth Ward, asking permission to construct a Drain.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, ‘An Ordinance to Regulate Passenger Railways,’” approved July 7, 1857.

The First Section having been read,

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend, by striking out all after the words “Sixth Street,” and inserting the following :

“*Provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent any Railway Company from laying their rails in such manner as to allow them to run their cars with the flanges of the wheels on the outside.”

Mr. Steelling

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the amendment and the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

A Message was received from Select Council, inform-

ing Council that they had concurred in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the Commissioner of City Property to purchase property against which the City may hold mortgages, in certain cases."

Also,

In the Resolution, to accept the sureties of William Elliott, Agent of the Girard Estate.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

MONDAY, July 5, 1858.

Council met this day at 12 o'clock, M., pursuant to resolution of the 1st inst., for the purpose of celebrating the 82nd Anniversary of American Independence.

In the absence of Mr. Trego,

Mr. Rubicam

Moved that Mr. Robert Luther be called upon to preside.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Luther, on taking the Chair, announced the object of the meeting, together with the order of exercises.

The President *pro tempore* introduced the Rev. Thomas H. Stockton, who read the 95th Psalm, and the 13th Chapter of the Epistle of Paul to the Romans; after which,

The Rev. John Chambers was introduced, and offered up an appropriate and impressive prayer to the throne of grace.

The Declaration of Independence was read by the Clerk, Wm. F. Small, from a file of the Pennsylvania Gazette of 1775 and 1776, loaned for this occasion, by Benj. F. Vandyke, Esq. This paper contained the first official copy of the Declaration published.

Washington's Farewell Address to the People of the United States, was then read by J. Barclay Harding, Assistant Clerk; after which,

George F. Gordon, Esq., proceeded to deliver an eloquent and patriotic oration on the early history, subsequent progress, and future destiny of the United States.

At the conclusion of the oration,

Mr. Dickinson offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That Mr. Gordon be requested to furnish a copy of his oration for publication in the Appendix to the Journal of Common Council.

Mr. Morris

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, July 8, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Case,
Cattell,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,

Messrs. Hacker,
Handy,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,

Messrs. Potter,
Pugh,
Quinn,
Riley,
Roats,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simons,

Messrs. Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Trego, *President.*

The following Message from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 8th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 2nd inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation for the payment of a decree against the City of Philadelphia.

On the 8th inst., A Resolution approving the sureties of William Elliott.

On the 8th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay the interest on a Temporary Loan.

On the 8th inst., An Ordinance to authorize the Commissioner of City Property to purchase property, against which the City may hold mortgages, in certain cases.

On the 8th inst., Resolutions to authorize the grading of Pratt Street and Ninth Street, and the construction of a Culvert on Jasper Street, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was laid on the table.

The following Communication was received from the Board of Health :

HEALTH OFFICE,
Philadelphia, July 7th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—At a meeting of the Board of Health, held this day, the following Resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That Councils be requested to fill vacancies in the Board, caused by the resignation of Jas. H. Montgomery, Esq., of the Eighth Ward, and L. W. Buffington, M. D., of the Ninth Ward.

Extract from the minutes.

Attest—WM. M. RANDALL,
Clerk, Board of Health.

Which was laid on the table.

The following Communication was received from the Board of Guardians of the Poor :

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, July 7th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Board of Guardians, held July 5th inst., the resignation of Marshall Henszey, Esq., was presented, read, and duly accepted.

Respectfully yours,
C. U. SCHLATER,
Secretary.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Gamble,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Select Council be informed that

Common Council will meet them in Convention at 5 o'clock this afternoon, to elect two members of the Board of Health, and one member of the Guardians of the Poor, to fill vacancies by resignation.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

A Communication was received from S. Taylor, City Controller, accompanied by a statement of the financial affairs of the City for the first half of the year 1858, ending June 30th. (*See Appendix No. 61.*)

Mr. Heins

Presented a Communication from Robert P. Harris, M. D., enclosing a bill for services as Vaccine Physician in the Seventh Ward, for the year 1857.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Petition from the property owners in the Ninth Ward, asking that Race Street, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth Streets, may be re-surveyed and re-graded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twentieth Ward, asking that gas pipes may be introduced on Seventh Street, north of Jefferson Street; Oxford, west of Seventh Street; Eighth Street, south of Montgomery Street; and Columbia Avenue, west of Eighth Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

Also,

A Petition from William Maule, asking a settlement of certain claims against the City.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Hutchinson,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby authorized to enter satisfaction on a certain lien for pipe laid by the late district of West Philadelphia, in Market Street, west of Margarett Street ; the amount of said lien having been paid in May, 1854, by Mr. Alex. Moore, owner of said property.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed on the south west corner of Broad and Washington Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Protest numerously signed against any alteration of the route of the " Citizen's Passenger Railway," as prescribed by their charter.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition from property owners of the Twenty-second Ward, asking that Cheltenham Avenue may be opened as a public highway, from Germantown Avenue, to Bristol Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Cattell

Presented two Petitions for the construction of a bridge over the River Schuylkill, at Chestnut Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of Jesse M. Christopher, as Commissioner of City Property." (*See Appendix No. 62.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of H. P. M. Birkinbine, as Chief Engineer of the Water Department." (*See Appendix No. 63.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of W. J. P. White, as Register of the Water Department." (*See Appendix No. 64.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of A. W. Juvenal, as Superintendent of the Girard Estate." (*See Appendix No. 65.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Moyer

Presented the following Communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department :

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 8th, 1858. }

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to call your attention to the fact, that one of the greatest difficulties, and the cause of nine out of every ten of them, is occasioned by the mobs of men and boys running with the different Fire Companies to fires and false alarms, and the members of the different Companies being unable to control them. If we had protection upon the fire ground, by placing ropes around it, and the ropes to take in all the Engine Companies, and let no person in who was not equipped, or who had not the badge of his company with him, it would remedy the evil ; for instance, look back at the fires at the Ledger and Assembly Buildings, Marshal Keyser had ropes outside of all the companies, and was there, and at nearly all other fires, and kept the police there to guard the ropes, then the firemen could work.

If a few of these runners, and persons that would not leave when requested, were sent to Moyamensing Prison for a few days, the evil would cease ; let one or more of our Police Magistrates be designated for the different districts, whose duty it shall be to commit such persons arrested.

I would suggest a Proclamation to be issued, and be published, and placed in the house of every Company, forewarning all persons not belonging to the Fire Department, and all persons not wearing a badge not to go inside the

ropes under the penalty of such law as your honorable bodies may suggest.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

The following Communication :

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 8th, 1858. }

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—I beg leave to call your attention to the Water Works on the west side of the River Schuylkill ; at the fire that happened on the Lancaster Pike a few evenings since, the water runout in five minutes ; the citizens make great complaints to me about the deficiency of water, and as I have no authority to enquire into the scarcity of the same, I therefore ask your honorable body to give the matter your earliest attention.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

The following Communication :

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 8th, 1858. }

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—Agreeably to the Ordinance re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I

beg leave to report to your honorable bodies the Fairmount Engine Company for the following reasons :

During the fire which took place on Monday afternoon last, in Ninth Street, between Race and Vine Streets, I arrested a young man for disorderly conduct, and for inciting to riot, and while I had him in charge, there was an effort made by the mob, said to be composed of runners and members of the Fairmount Engine Company, to rescue him ; and after being roughly handled, and even struck, the Sergeant of the Fourteenth Ward came to my assistance, when I handed my prisoner over to him, remarking that I had my eye upon the person who struck me, and for him to look sharp, as the mob would rescue his prisoner. I then left and secured the man who struck me, and while taking him towards Vine Street, and when outside of the mob, a person who, I was afterwards told, belonged to the Fairmount, came to me, and remarked, if I would let the person whom I had in charge go, he would be responsible for his appearance in the morning. I told him that I was not acquainted with him and could not ; he then informed me that he was a brother of a particular friend of mine, and that the prisoner was his brother, and he was not of sound mind ; after which, I let him go, remarking that a crazy person should not be in such a place, or be a runner of any company.

I was then informed by the Sergeant that about a dozen of equipped members of the Fairmount had left their Engine, and rescued his prisoner whilst yet upon the fire ground, and had used him, and another policeman who had come to assist him, very badly, which is set forth in the accompanying affidavit.

I am not aware that the above cause is sufficient to sustain a suspension of the said Company, there being a diversity of opinion with regard to legal authority sought for and obtained by me. I therefore submit the case for your consideration or further instructions.

Yours respectfully,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

William H. Johnson, being duly sworn, doth depose and say, That on the fifth day of July, A. D. 1858, between the hours of four and five o'clock, P. M., of said day, Samuel P. Fearon, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department placed in my charge, I being Sergeant of the Fourteenth Ward, Eighth District, a prisoner, and was directed by the said Engineer to take him to the Station House. And on my way there, and whilst the prisoner was under my charge, and in my custody, the said prisoner was rescued from me by a dozen or more equipped members of the Fairmount Engine Company.

WM. H. JOHNSON.

Sworn and subscribed before me this sixth day of July, A. D. 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to proceed to the consideration of Bill No. 11 on Common Council File, entitled, "An Ordinance for the construction of a Bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Chestnut Street."

On this motion, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Hutchinson and Day.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Carson, Cattell, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, French, Gheen, Handy, Heins, Kelton, Luther, Manuel, George B. Miller, Mingle, Pugh, Riley, Smedley, and Uber.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andress, Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Case, Cooley, Cooper, Day, Doerr, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Gay, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Jones, Kelley, Ketcham, Mascher, McClean, Hiram Miller, Morris, Nippes, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Simons, Steelling, Thompson,

Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, and Trego,
President.

Yeas 20. Nays 44.

The motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Wister offered the following

Resolution :

Resolution to invite Select Council to meet in Convention.

Resolved, That Select Council be invited to meet Common Council at five o'clock this afternoon, to elect a Chief Commissioner of Highways and a Superintendent of City Railroads.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Walsh offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department be, and is hereby instructed to enquire and report as soon as practicable as to the expediency of revoking the power, granted to the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, of suspending Fire Companies before they are heard by Councils.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Mr. Pugh

Moved to postpone this motion indefinitely.

On this motion the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Walsh and M'Cahen.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Brown, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Enyard, Fish, French, Gay, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Address, Brenan, Bowker, Day, Dickinson, Ellis, Epler, Fisher, Holmes, Kelley, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, Megary, Morris, Riley, Schoch, Simons, Thompson, and Walsh.

Yeas 48. Nays 20.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 4. on Common Council File, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of Branch Culverts or Drains."

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section being under consideration,

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out the word "two" on the fourth line, and insert instead thereof the word "three."

Which was not agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Fourth Section was agreed to.

The Fifth Section was agreed to.

The Sixth Section being under consideration,

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out all after the words "Section six," and insert the following :

That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be authorized to pay for the Culvert intersections constructed under this Ordinance, from such items of appropriation as may be made for that purpose.

Which was not agreed to.

The Sixth Section was agreed to.

The Seventh Section being under consideration,

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved to amend by striking out from the third and fourth lines the words "not be subjected to the fee," and insert instead thereof "pay a fee of three dollars," and after the word "Drain" in the fourth line, to insert the words "in lieu of ten dollars," and to add to the Section the words "the annual rental shall remain the same as provided for in the said Ordinance approved May 3rd, 1855."

Mr. Manuel

Moved to amend the amendment by adding to the last clause thereof, the words, "provided that the fee aforesaid shall only be required in case the highway shall have been paved."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Seventh Section, as amended, was agreed to.

The Eighth Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

Mr. Baird

Moved that the rules be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

On this motion the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Cooley and Dickinson.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Baird, Brennan, Carson, Case, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Handy, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, Megary, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Morris, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, and Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cooley, and Gordon.

Yeas 55. Nays 2.

Mr. Cooley

Asked leave to have his vote recorded *Yea*, instead of *Nay*, having voted by mistake.

Which was granted.

The Bill was read a third time by its Title.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to go into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering a special amendment.

Mr. Baird

Moved to postpone the further consideration of this motion for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Finance to approve the sureties of certain officers.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby authorized to receive and approve the sureties of the Chief Commissioner of Highways, the Commissioners of Highways, and the Superintendent of City Railroad; and upon the City Solicitor's certifying that the necessary bonds are filed, the officers aforesaid shall immediately enter upon the duties of their respective offices; and that the said sureties be submitted to Councils at their next meeting for their approval.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to strike out all after the words "City Railroad."

On this motion, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Kelley.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Cooley, Day, Epler, Gay, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Schoch, Thompson, and Walsh.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andress, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Fidler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley,

Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

Yeas 16. Nays 46.

The motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Fitler

Called the previous question, which was seconded by Messrs. Dennis, Gamble, Gheen, Harmer, Hodgdon, Kelley, Ketcham, Krider, Geo. B. Miller, Riley, Savage, and Simons.

On the question, "Shall the main question be now ordered?"

The Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. M'Cahen and Mascher.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Address, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Simons, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, and Wister.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Day, Epler, Gay, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Thompson, and Walsh.

Yeas 50. Nays 14.

So the call for the main question was sustained.

The question recurring upon the final passage of the Resolution.

The Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Kelley.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Brown, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Fidler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wister, and Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Day, Epler, Gay, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Schoch, Thompson, and Walsh.

Yeas 49. Nays 15.

The Resolution was adopted.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had concurred in the Resolution inviting Select Council to meet Common Council at 5 o'clock this afternoon, to elect a Chief Commissioner of Highways, two Assistant Commissioners of Highways, and a Superintendent of City Railroads.

Also,

In the Resolution to meet in Convention, to elect two members of the Board of Health, and one member of the Board of Guardians of the Poor, to fill vacancies.

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of Jesse M. Christopher, as Commissioner of City Property."

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of A. W. Juvenal, as Superintendent of the Girard Estates."

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the

sureties of H. P. M. Birkinbine, as Chief Engineer of the Water Department."

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of W. J. P. White, as Register of the Water Department."

Also,

In the Resolution declaring it inexpedient to construct bridges over the river Schuylkill, at the present time, other than as recommended in Ordinance now before Councils.

Also,

In the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain on the line of Carlton Street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward."

The President and Members of Select Council were introduced, and being assembled in Convention,

The President, Mr. Wharton,

Announced the object thereof to be the election of a Chief Commissioner of Highways, two Commissioners of Highways, a Superintendent of City Railroads, and two members of the Board of Health, to supply the vacancies caused by the resignations of James Montgomery, of the Eighth Ward, and L. W. Buffington, M. D., of the Ninth Ward, and one member of the Board of Guardians of the Poor, to supply the vacancy caused by the resignation of Marshal Henszey, of the Thirteenth Ward.

The Convention then went into an election for Chief Commissioner of Highways, and two Commissioners of Highways, and a Superintendent of City Railroads.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 86 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for Conrad B. Address.

Common Council,

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

59, voted for Conrad B. Address.

In all, 70 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton, *President*,

5, voted for John McCarthy.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Day, Epler, Kelley, Mascher, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Thompson, Walsh,

11, voted for John McCarthy.

In all, 16 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for John S. Rittenhouse.

Common Council,

Messrs. Address, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dick-

inson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

58, voted for John S. Rittenhouse.

In all, 69 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for James M. Gibson.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

59, voted for James M. Gibson.

In all, 70 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton, *President*,

5, voted for J. McCullough.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Day, Epler, Gay, Kelley, Mascher, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, Thompson, Walsh,

12, voted for J. McCullough.

In all, 17 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton,
President,

5, voted for Emanuel Street.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Day, Epler, Kelley, Mascher,
M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Thompson, Walsh,

11, voted for Emanuel Street.

In all, 16 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford,
Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for A. Bartholomew.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson,
Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson,
Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble,
Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon,
House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham,
Kridner, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller H., Mingle,
Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage,
Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber,
Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

58, voted for A. Bartholomew.

In all, 69 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton,
President,

5, voted for R. L. West.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Day, Epler, Gay, Kelley,
Mascher, M'Cahen, McIlvain, Megary, Thompson, Walsh,

12, voted for R. S. West.

In all, 17 votes.

The President

Declared that Conrad B. Andress, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected Chief Commissioner of Highways.

And that John S. Rittenhouse, and James M. Gibson, having received the highest number of votes cast, were duly elected Commissioners of Highways.

And that Augustine Bartholomew, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected the Superintendent of City Railroads.

The Convention then went into the election of two members of the Board of Health, and a member of the Board of Guardians of the Poor.

For the Board of Health.

Mr. Wetherill

Nominated Daniel B. Beitler, of the Ninth Ward.

Mr. Bobb

Nominated S. S. Kelly, of the Eighth Ward.

For Guardians of the Poor.

Mr. Gamble

Nominated George Cress, Jr.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Nominated Joel Reeves.

Mr. Wetherill

Nominated Samuel F. Canby.

The Clerks, acting as tellers, reported that 79 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Thompson,

8, voted for D. B. Beitler.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wister, Trego, *President*,

54, voted for D. B. Beitler.

In all, 62 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cornman, Cuyler, Davis, Enos, Ford, Foster, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Thompson, Williams,

12, voted for S. S. Kelly.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wister, Trego, *President*,

55, voted for S. S. Kelly.

In all, 67 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton, *President*,

5, voted for A. Morrison.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Epler, McIlvain, Megary,
Thompson, Walsh,

7, voted for A. Morrison.

In all, 12 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, McIntyre, Neal,
Thompson,

7, voted for George Cress.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Carson, Case,
Cattell, Cooley, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish,
Fisher, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas,
Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kel-
ton, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Mingle,
Morris, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Si-
mons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Trego, *President*,

46, voted for George Cress.

In all, 53 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Cuyler, Foster, Williams, Wharton,
President,

5, voted for John Goodrich.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Epler, McIlvain, Megary,
Thompson, Walsh,

7, voted for John Goodrich.

In all, 12 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Parker,

1, voted for S. P. Canby.

Common Council,

Messrs. Cooper, French, Hunter, Luther, Wetherill,
Wister,

6, voted for S. P. Canby.

In all, 7 votes.

Common Council,

Messrs. Hiram Miller, Potter,

2, voted for Joel Reeves.

The President

Declared that Samuel S. Kelly, from the Eighth Ward,
and Daniel B. Beitler, from the Ninth Ward, were duly
elected members of the Board of Health.

And that George Cress, Jr., was duly elected Guar-
dian of the Poor, from the Thirteenth Ward.

And announced that, the business for which the Con-
vention had assembled having been finished, the Conven-
tion was dissolved.

The members of Select Council retired from the
chamber.

Mr. Smedley offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Highway Committee enquire into
the expediency of rebuilding the Draw Bridge on Frank-
ford Creek, at Bridesburgh, Twenty-third Ward, which is
now in a dilapidated condition, and unsafe for public use.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and con-
sideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Gordon

Read in place, and presented to the Chair, a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to regulate Passenger Railroads."

Which was ordered to be printed, and placed on file.

Mr. Manuel

Read in place, and presented to the Chair, a Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to 'An Ordinance, providing for the granting of permits to make openings into the Common Sewers,' approved the third day of May, 1855."

Which was ordered to be printed, and placed on file.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had passed the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Surveyors be, and they are hereby instructed not to approve or sanction the plan of any Passenger Railway, unless the gauge and form of rail be made to conform to the gauge and form of rail used in the Fifth, Sixth, Tenth, and Eleventh Street Railways.

Mr. Kelton

Moved to refer it to the Committee on Railroads.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to amend by adding thereto the words, "provided that this Resolution shall not apply to, or in any manner affect any City Passenger Railway in the City of Philadelphia that is now organized or chartered."

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Day offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By Select and Common Council, that a

special Committee of three members of each Chamber be appointed to enquire into the reasons or causes of the loss of eight thousand dollars to the City, in the payment of the Vandyke claim.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The President

Appointed Messrs. Day, Hacker, and Wister, on said Committee, on the part of this Council.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing Common Council, that they had concurred in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Committee on Finance to approve the sureties of certain officers."

Also,

A Message from Select Council, informing Council, that they had received a Report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to lay water pipes in the several streets," which they had passed, and ask concurrence.

Also,

A Message from Select Council, informing Council, that they had passed a Resolution, instructing the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to report upon the subject of distributing the Steam Fire Engines over such parts of the City as they are most needed in, and ask concurrence.

Also,

A Message from Select Council, informing Council, that they had passed a Resolution, instructing the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform to consider the propriety of reporting an Ordinance for the appointment of Commissioners to consider and examine all subjects

connected with the several departments, with a view to mature some general plan for their better government, and ask concurrence.

Also,

That they had passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the stated meetings of Councils, which would regularly occur between this date and the [second] Thursday of August, be, and the same are hereby dispensed with.

Mr. Day

Moved to strike out all after the word "between," and insert the words, "the next stated meeting, and the first stated meeting in September next."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Handy

Moved to strike out the words, "second Thursday," and insert the words, "fourth Thursday."

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Communication from Conrad B. Address, containing the names of his proposed sureties.

Mr. Geo. B. Miller

Presented a Communication from James M. Gibson, containing the names of his proposed sureties.

Which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, August 12, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,

Messrs. Haas,
Hacker,
Harbert,
Heins,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McIlvaine,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,

Messrs. Riley,	Messrs. Smedley,
Roats,	Thompson,
Rubicam,	Uber,
Savage,	Wagner,
Server,	Walsh,
Shermer,	Wetherill,
Simon,	Wister,
Simons,	Wright,

Trego, *President*.

The President

Presented the following Communication from the Board of Health :

HEALTH OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 13th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In pursuance of a Resolution of the Board of Health, passed this day, I herewith enclose a copy of a Report of the Sanitary Committee of the Board.

Very respectfully,

WM. M. RANDALL,

Clerk, Board of Health.

The Sanitary Committee beg leave to submit the following Report and Resolutions :

The Committee in pursuance of their duties, visited the City Hospital on Friday afternoon, the 9th inst.

The Board, perhaps will be surprised to learn, that although we found the building in a good and cleanly condition, as far as it can be so kept, by the attentive Matron and her assistants, yet, that it is entirely unfit, and unsafe for a nursery for the sick, in consequence of the accumulation of water in the cellar, and in stagnant and putrid pools surrounding the house.

The grading and filling up of the streets, has left the building on low ground, and at the same time, has enclosed the property by a complete barrier to the escape of the

water, the result is, that instead of a Hospital, for the use and cure of persons suffering from disease, the City is fostering in its midst, a nuisance under the authority and management of the Board of Health, which threatens to be the fruitful source of the very evils which it was designed by the creation of this body to prevent.

The Committee are entirely unable to apply a remedy to this condition of things, they deem it altogether inexpedient to recommend the expenditure of any money, for the purpose of filling up or drainage, they therefore submit the whole matter to the Board, and ask their instructions.

In order that the members may fully comprehend the position of this body, and its relation to the City Councils, in connection with the City Hospital, the Committee beg leave to refer briefly to some facts with regard to sale of the City Property.

The Ordinance for the sale of the property belonging to the City, provided that from the funds derived from the sale of the Hospital lot, there should be appropriated enough for the construction of a new building, and a lot was purchased for that purpose, some legal difficulties arose, and the measure was never consummated, so that the Board of Health is left without the means of carrying out one of its most imperative duties, and the City is left without any advantage from the sale of the property, not being able to give the purchasers possession.

Now in the opinion of your Committee, it is not only the duty, but the interest of the Council, to make an appropriation for the building of a new City Hospital, to this Department of the City Government, it is a *positive necessity*, which can no longer be evaded or postponed, inasmuch as we cannot repair the one we have, or for any certain or continued time, keep possession of it. The Committee offer the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Hospital is no longer a fit place for the use of the sick, by reason of water in the cellar, and stagnant and putrid pools surrounding the house.

Resolved, That under the peculiar circumstances in which the property is placed, it is not expedient or proper to expend any money in filling up, drainage, or repairs of any kind.

Resolved, That an urgent demand be made by this

Board upon the City Councils, to carry out their purpose at the time of the sale of the Hospital lot, by making an appropriation for the construction of a new building, on the lot purchased for that purpose, on the Lamb Tavern Road.

BENJ. R. MEARS,
WM. A. PIPER,
H. W. SIDDALL, M. D.,
S. S. PANCOAST,
W. W. TAYLOR,
THOS. H. TOWN.

July 10, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on City Property.

Also,

The following Communication from the same.

HEALTH OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, August 9th, 1858. }

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia :

GENTLEMEN :—Herewith I send you a copy of Resolutions of "Board of Health," passed this day.

Very Respectfully yours, &c.,

WASH. L. BLADEN,

Clerk, Board of Health.

Whereas, The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, have only made appropriation for Salaries and other contingent expenses of this Department for the first six months of the year 1858, be it

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five members be appointed to confer with the Health Committee of the Select and Common Councils, in order that the proper appropriation may be made for carrying on the Department of Health for the last six months of the year 1858.

Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be sent to

the Select and Common Councils, previous to their meeting on the 13th of August.

Extract from the minutes.

Which was laid on the table.

Also,

The following Communication from the same.

HEALTH OFFICE,
Philadelphia, August 12th, 1858. }

To the Common Council, of the City of Philadelphia :

GENTLEMEN:—I am directed to forward to you the annexed copy of Preamble and Resolution passed by the Board of Health this day.

Yours, &c.,

WASH. L. BLADEN,

Clerk, Board of Health.

Whereas, Numerous complaints have been made at this office of the Board of Health, of the filthy condition of the Docks, openings of the Sewers and Inlets, as well as the streets and gutters of very many parts of the City, be it hereby

Resolved, "That the attention of the proper authorities having the same in charge, be called to the fact through the Select and Common Councils of the City, with a request that they use all the power in them vested to have the same at once purified and cleaned."

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Also,

The following Communication from the Receiver of Taxes :

OFFICE OF RECEIVER OF TAXES, }
Philadelphia, August 12, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—I would respectfully solicit authority to appoint eight additional Clerks in this Department. The number now employed as Receiving Clerks are five, and one Search Clerk.

Prior to April 1, 1858, there were fourteen, on that date the number was reduced by a Joint Resolution of Councils to ten, and on 1st of May, to six.

In order to conduct the business of this Department properly, it is essential the number should be fourteen. During the year 1854, and a portion of 1855, there were sixteen, since that period, excepting a short time in 1857, and since the 1st of April last, there has been fourteen.

It is requisite that there should be twelve Receiving Clerks in the office at the corner of Sixth and Chestnut Streets, each having charge of two wards, whose duties are more extensive than formerly, having to make out a detailed return of the amount of the Taxes received daily from each person to the City Controller, in accordance with the construction of the Act of Assembly, relative thereto by the late City Solicitor, one Clerk to attend to searches and to furnish and file bills for property sold by the Sheriff, also one Register Clerk, to register all unpaid or delinquent taxes after the 15th of January in each year; and in accordance with the Act of Assembly, approved the 1st day of April, 1858, to furnish lists and bills of all delinquents or unpaid taxes against Real Estate of two years standing, for the City Solicitor.

The unexpected appropriation for the salaries of Clerks for the year 1858, exceeds the amount required for the payment of those additional Clerks \$383 56. I would respectfully suggest the propriety of the passage of a Supplementary Ordinance by your honorable bodies, fixing the number of Clerks in this Department permanently. The immense pecuniary responsibility devolving upon the Receiver of Taxes, and the very small emolument received by him, requires that his interests, and the interest of the pub-

lic should be properly protected. He cannot expect to procure the services of efficient and reliable Clerks appointed for a limited portion of the year for the meagre salary of \$850 per annum, who are required to furnish bonds with approved surety for the faithful performance of their duty in the sum of ten thousand dollars, which bonds cannot be cancelled, or sureties released, until after the expiration of the Receiver's term of office.

Although the duties to be performed by the Clerks, during two or three months of the year, could be executed by a less number than those required, yet it is unreasonable to expect that men of integrity and capacity would accept positions involving so much risk and responsibility, (they being accountable for all errors and spurious funds received by them,) for only a limited portion of the year, in private business departments, such conditions for employment would not be entertained.

By Act of Assembly, approved April 16, 1857, the duty is enjoined upon the Receiver of Taxes, to make out and furnish to each Alderman of the City of Philadelphia, a duplicate of the last assessment of the personal taxes for each Ward, filed in the City Commissioners Office, which will number some sixty-three.

The duplicates are required to be placed in the hands of the Alderman prior to the ensuing election, which will be impossible for the Receiver to have done with his present number of Clerks.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. I. FLOMERFELT,

Receiver of Taxes.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

The following Communication from the City Solicitor:

LAW DEPARTMENT, }
Philadelphia, August 7th, 1858. }

To the Select and Common Councils

of the City of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN:—Legislation is needed upon the subject

of the sale of real estate under proceedings for the recovery of registered taxes, municipal claims, and other charges of the city.

The present law is inadequate to protect the City from loss, when a sale of property, upon which these claims are liens, is resorted to for their recovery.

The eleventh section of the act of the 13th of May, 1856, provides that "all sales for registered taxes, municipal claims, assessments for removing nuisances or other charge assessed by the City on real estate, shall be subject to redemption by the owner at any time within two years from the date of the acknowledgment of the Sheriff's deed therefor, upon the payment of all costs and charges, and twenty per cent. on the amount for which the property had sold."

Property sold subject to such a condition, is likely to be purchased by speculators or agents of the owners only. The result is, that is sold at a price not sufficient to pay costs, while the claim of the City is entirely lost.

I can see but one remedy, short of an act of assembly repealing this right of redemption, and that is, to extend the provisions of the ordinance of 8th of July, 1858, to sales for registered taxes, municipal claims, expenses of removing nuisances, and all charges for which the City has a lien on real estate.

The Ordinance referred to, authorizes the Commissioner of City Property, under the instruction of the City Solicitor, to purchase property sold under proceedings on mortgages, at a price not exceeding the amount of the mortgage.

If such a power of purchase was given them, the owners of property would in general take care that the City did not become a purchaser.

Under the present system, a sale by the City often becomes a very easy way of removing municipal liens, by a purchase of the property for the owner at a sum much below the City's claim.

Whether the City should or should not purchase, ought to be discretionary, as it might cause loss to the City if a purchaser was required in all cases. It should only be made when it is to the interest of the City so to do.

I would also in this connection beg leave to call the

attention of Councils to a matter with reference to the registered taxes returned to this office. Many thousands of dollars of these unpaid taxes of the years of 1854, '55, and '56, assessed on real estate, are in this department for collection.

To enable us to collect them by a sale of the real estate, we must have a description of the property, which can only be furnished by the District Surveyors. This department has been unable, except to a very limited extent, to obtain such descriptions, and thus this very important part of our duty has been thereby retarded.

I have called the attention of Councils to these matters, in accordance with what I believe to be the duty of a head of a department, who finds in the organization or operation of that department, any defect which he conceives to be within the power of Councils to remedy.

Respectfully,

HENRY T. KING,

City Solicitor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Also,

The following from the same.

CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, {
Philadelphia, August 12, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Since your last meeting, I have received from the Executors of the last will and testament of Elliot Cresson, late of this City, deceased, \$1500 00, on account of the bequest made to the City by the said testator of \$5000 00 for the planting of shade trees, referred to in my communication to your bodies of the 1st of July last, wherein I informed you that I had received \$2500 of said bequest.

Respectfully,

HENRY T. KING,

City Solicitor.

Which was laid on the table.

Also,

A Communication from Thomas Le Sage, asking the usual appropriation of \$20, for ringing the bells of St. Stephens Church on the Fourth of July last.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

A Communication from Geo. W. Gamble, Esq., on the subject of the Girard Coal Lands in Schuylkill, suggesting a plan by which they may be made to yield a revenue to the City, in accordance with the will of the late Stephen Girard.

Which was referred to the Committee on the Girard Estates.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Remonstrance, signed by numerous citizens of the late district of Southwark, against renewing the contract of 1848, with the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company.

Mr. Geo. B. Miller

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Thompson

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Day

Presented one of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Gas.

Mr. Carson

Presented a Petition from property holders on Jefferson Avenue between Reed and Wharton Streets, asking permission to have the same paved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition from property holders on Jefferson Avenue between Greenwich and Mifflin Streets, asking that water pipes may be laid in front of their property.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition, asking that water pipes may be laid in Hewston Street, between Brown and Almond Street, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Baird

Presented a Petition from J. B. Lancaster, lessee of Spruce Street Wharf, asking that the dock may be cleansed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Mingle

Presented a Petition from citizens of New Jersey, asking that the Ordinance regulating the sale of fruits and vegetables may be modified or repealed.

Also,

A Petition from a Committee of Farmers and Truckers of Gloucester County, N. J., of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition from the citizens of Seventh Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed at the corner of Willow and Meredith Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Harbert

Presented a Petition of property owners on the Schuyl-

kill, asking that the docks at the foot of Locust and Spruce Streets, may be cleansed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition for the laying of water pipes on Sixteenth Streets, between South and Shippen Streets, in the First Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Remonstrance of the Monument Cemetery Company, against the proposed change of the route of the Citizens' Passenger Railway Company.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Case

Presented a petition asking that a fire plug may be placed on the south side of Market, between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a petition from the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company, asking permission to lay a water pipe from the Lancaster Pike to their new stables,

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A petition of numerous citizens, asking that iron pavements may be laid to supersede City Railroads.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Kelton

Presented a petition from citizens of the Tenth Ward, asking that service pipes and metres may be introduced

into their dwellings in accordance with the Ordinance of July 12th, 1839.

Mr. Pugh

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Gordon

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Manuel

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Wister

Presented two petitions of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a communication from C. V. Nauman, asking that his securities may be released.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

A petition for the paving of Norris street, from Frankford Road to Second street, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Fish

Presented a petition for the grading of Byrne street, in the Twentieth Ward,

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Pugh

Presented a petition from citizens of the Eighth precinct of the Fourteenth Ward, asking that the precinct house may be changed,

Which was referred to the members of this Council from that Ward.

Also,

A petition from E. S. Logan, of the Fourteenth Ward, asking that a nuisance, corner of Buttonwood and Twelfth streets, may be abated.

Referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Presented a petition for the paving of Church street, from Twenty-second to Twenty-third streets.

Also,

A petition for the paving of Capitol street, from Brown to Parrish streets.

Also,

A petition for the paving of Stiles street, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth streets,

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A petition, asking that a gas lamp may be placed at the S. W. corner of Twenty-first and Wallace streets,

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A petition from Alderman Binder, asking payment for his services as Police Magistrate from August, 1857, to June 26th, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a petition, asking that a curb may be set at the S. W. corner of Twentieth and Willow streets.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a petition for the paving of Willow street, from Front to Second streets,

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Wagner

Presented two Petitions from citizens of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Wards, asking that an appropriation may be made for constructing a Culvert on Cohocksink Creek.

Mr. Enyard

Presented one of similar import.

Mr. Gillingham

Presented two of similar import.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented two of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Gay

Presented a Petition for the paving of Clinton street, from Master to Putnam streets, in the Seventeenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Petition for the laying of water pipes in Ash street, between Duke and Brown streets, in the Eighteenth Ward.

Mr. Hunter

Presented one of similar import,

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition from the Mantua Hook and Ladder Company, asking that a gas lamp and a fire plug may be placed near their hall.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Brown

Presented a Communication from Joseph W. Cooper,

President of the Cooper's Point and Philadelphia Ferry Company, asking that the pier at Vine street, on the Delaware, may be extended.

Also,

A petition of similar import, from a large number of citizens,

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition from James McFarlane, asking that certain overpaid taxes may be refunded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for the paving of Apple street, from Diamond to Norris streets, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition for a Gas Lamp, at the corner of Columbia Avenue and Germantown Railroad.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Bowker

Presented a Petition from citizens of Third Division of the Twenty-first Ward, asking that the Precinct House may be removed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition from citizens of the late District of Bridesburg, Twenty-third Ward, asking that Gas Lamps may be placed upon the Highways.

Mr. Smedley

Presented one of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition from citizens of the Twenty-third Ward, asking that the operation of the Resolution, providing for the pavement of certain streets in Frankford, may be suspended.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition for the grading of Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth streets, north of Bridge Avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of Haverford street, in the same ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Cattell

Presented a Petition from the West Philadelphia Railway Company, asking the permission of Councils to extend their track along Market street from Third to Front.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Bobb

Presented a Petition of the Washington Fire Engine Company, asking that the location of their apparatus in Lombard street between Tenth and Eleventh, may be approved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Heins

On leave, offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved: -- That the Department of Highways be authorized to have Hampton Street from Twentieth to Twenty-first Street, and Locust Street from Seventeenth

to Eighteenth Streets, repaved under the direction of the Supervisor of the Seventh and Eighth Wards.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Cooley

Presented a Petition for the introduction of Gas Lamps in Wilson street, between Race and Vine streets, in the Tenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Kelton

Presented a petition from the Second and Third street Passenger Railway Company, asking the privilege of using such streets east of Third street as may be deemed necessary to carry out the true intent and meaning of their charter.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Hacker

From the committee on Finance, presented a report with a Resolution annexed entitled "Resolution accepting the sureties of certain Supervisors." (*See Appendix No. 67*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee with a Resolution annexed entitled "Resolution to enter satisfaction upon certain official bonds." (*See Appendix No. 68.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee with a Resolution annexed entitled "Resolution accepting the sureties of certain Officers." (*See Appendix No. 69.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to authorize a Loan to pay claims against and to defray expenses of the City," together with a Resolution directing the Clerk to publish the same, in two daily newspapers in accordance with Law. (*See Appendix No. 70.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways, Presented a report with two bills annexed, the first entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to regulate the Paving of Streets, Lanes and Alleys," the second entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to provide for the Payment of six hundred dollars to John Draper, a claim for damages assessed in opening Sixth Street near Elbow Lane." (*See Appendix No. 71.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Bill,

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time,

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gay

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Bill,

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its title,

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

providing for the care and management of the Steam Fire Engine Philadelphia.”

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Gay

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. McCahen

Moved to amend the first section, by adding at the end thereof the words, "And that the further sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars be appropriated to the Hope Hose Company for the maintenance of their Steam Fire Engine."

Mr. Gordon

Moved to recommit the Bill, with instructions to report a Bill making appropriations to all Fire Companies entitled thereto, at the next meeting of Councils.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelly and McCahen.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Brown, Comly, Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Day, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Holmes, Kelton, Ketcham, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Hiram Miller, Morris, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Thompson, Uber, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bulloch, Carson, Case, Cattell, Dennis, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fitler, Gay, Gillingham, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kersey, Krider, Mascher, Geo. B. Miller, Moyer, Rubicam, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Wagner, Wetherill, Wister.

Yeas 38. Nays 29.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the charges against the Hope Fire Engine Company, for disobeying the orders of the Chief Engineer, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 72.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Moyer,

From the same Committee, presented a further Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize and require the Superintendent of Trusts to make certain investments. (*See Appendix No. 73.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill,

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out the word “debt,” and insert the word “loan,”

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved further to amend the Section, by striking out so much as relates to investment in the stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section as amended was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Moyer

From the same Committee, submitted a further Report, with a Bill, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts, for the purposes therein named. (*See Appendix No. 74.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill,

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time, and

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to suspend the rules, and that the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Gordon,

On leave, read in his place and presented to the Chair a bill entitled, “An Ordinance to authorize a public school

loan fund," with a resolution directing the Clerk to publish the same according to law, and

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, when

Mr. Hiram Miller

Moved that the Resolution and Bill be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On this question the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Gordon and Wister.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bulloch, Carson, Case, Cattell, Comly, Conrad, Osborn, Cooley, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, House, Hunter, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Krider, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McIlvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Potter, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Simons, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cooper, Dickinson, Gordon, Hutchinson, Luther, Manuel, M'Cahen, Nippes, Pugh, Smedley.

Yeas 53. Nays 10.

So the motion was agreed to.

The President

Announced that he had appointed Mr. Eckfeldt, a member of the Committee on schools, in place of Mr. Russell, whose seat had been vacated.

The following Message from the Mayor was received

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, July 8th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinance and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz:

On the 9th ult., a Resolution, approving the sureties of Jesse M. Christopher, Commissioner of City Property.

On the 9th ult., a Resolution approving the sureties of W. J. P. White, as Register of the Water Department.

On the 9th ult., a Resolution approving the sureties of A. W. Juvenal, as Superintendent of Girard Estates.

On the 9th ult., a Resolution approving the sureties of H. P. M. Birkenbine, as Chief Engineer of the Water Department.

On the 10th ult., a Resolution authorizing the Committee on Finance to approve the sureties of certain officers.

On the 22d ult., an Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Carlton street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was laid on the table.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing this Council that they had concurred in the Resolution discharging the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, from the further consideration of the charges preferred against the "Hope Fire Engine Company."

Also,

That they had concurred in the bill entitled, "An Ordinance to regulate the paving of streets, lanes, and alleys."

Also,

In the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the payment of six hundred dollars to John Draper, a claim for damages assessed in opening Sixth street, near Elbow lane."

Also,

In the Resolution to appoint a Special Committee of three to inquire into the reasons or causes of the loss of eight thousand dollars to the city, in the payment of the Vandyke Claim.

And had appointed Messrs. Williams, Norman, and Neal, on the part of Select Council.

Also,

In the Resolution entitled, "Resolution to enter satisfaction on certain official bonds."

Also,

In the Resolution entitled, "Resolution accepting the sureties of certain officers."

Also,

That they had passed the following Resolutions, relative to the Committees of Councils.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chairmen of the several Standing Committees, be instructed to meet at such time and place as may be designated by the Chairmen of the Committees on Finance, Water, and Highways, and so arrange the hours of stated meetings of all the Committees, as to give ample time for deliberation, and not to interfere with each other, and have cards printed for each member, in conformity with their conclusions.

Resolved, That the Chairmen of Special Committees be instructed to call their respective meetings at such times

as will not interfere with the meetings of the Standing Committees.

In which they ask concurrence.

Also,

That they have received a report from the Committee on Railroads, with a Bill annexed, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the extension of the City Railroad, on Market and Second streets."

Which they had passed, and ask concurrence.

Also,

A further report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the Second and Third Street Passenger Railway Company, to construct a connecting line on Race street."

Which they had passed, and ask concurrence.

Also,

That they have received a report from the Committee on Law, with a Bill annexed, entitled, "An Ordinance requiring the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to furnish the City Solicitor with measurements and descriptions of property against which claims are to be filed."

Which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Also,

That the following appointments have been made of members to fill vacancies on Committees caused by the death of Mr. Horrocks, to wit:

Committee on Finance	- - - -	Mr. Schofield.
" " Water,	- - - -	Mr. Kline.
" " Railroads,	- - - -	Mr. Benton.
" " Prisons,	- - - -	Mr. McIntyre.
" " Trusts and Fire Dep't.	- - - -	Mr. Bradford.
" " Claims,	- - - -	Mr. Norman.

Mr. Potter

Moved to suspend the order of business, and take up Bill on page 75 of the Appendix to the Journal of Common Council, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to authorize a loan to construct certain Culverts."

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Gordon and Gillingham,

Which were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, Gay, Gillingham, Haas, Haeker, Heins, Holmes, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Krider, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Thompson, Wagner, Wister.

NAYS.—Messrs. Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Harbert, Luther, Geo. B. Miller, Riley, Rubicam, Wetherill, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 46. Nays 16.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Clerk informed Council that he had published the Bill as required by law in the "Daily News" and "Pennsylvania Inquirer," and submitted a copy of each of those papers containing said Bill.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to amend by inserting after the word "authorized," the words "to issue proposals to the highest bidder,"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Offered the following amendment, to be added to the end of the First Section:

Provided, That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, being half the sum herein named, be, and hereby is specially appropriated for the building of Public School Houses, as shall hereafter be provided for by Ordinance.

The President decided that under Rule 4 (Joint) of Councils, the amendment was not in order, the latter clause of this Rule declaring, "nor shall a motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, be admitted under color of an amendment."

Mr. Gordon and Mr. McCahen submitted the following appeal from this decision :

"The Chair having decided that the motion of Mr. Gordon, to provide by amendment to the Ordinance under consideration, (being an Ordinance to make a loan to construct certain Culverts,) that the half of the sum therein named be specially appropriated for the purpose of erecting School Houses, the President ruling the said motion out of order,

Mr. Gordon

Appealed from the decision so made.

GEO. F. GORDON,
JAMES MCCAHEN.

Mr. Day

Moved to lay the appeal on the table.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section of the Bill was then agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend the Bill by adding the following as an additional Section, to wit:

SECTION 3. That a further loan of one hundred thousand dollars, under the provisions of this Ordinance, for the purpose of constructing Public School Houses in the several Wards as shall hereafter be provided for by Ordinance, be, and the same is hereby authorized to be made on the conditions aforesaid in this Ordinance.

The President

Declared this motion to be out of order, as the title of the Bill had been agreed to, and no motion to amend could be entertained unless the Chamber should first reconsider its vote upon the title.

Mr. Bowker

Moved to adjourn,

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and proceed to the third reading of the Bill by its Title.

On this motion the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Gordon and Gillingham.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Brown Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Enyard, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McIlvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Smedley, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Gordon.

Yeas 52. Nays 2.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time by its Title, when

Mr. Hacker

Moved to postpone its further consideration, and that it be made the order of the day for Thursday next, at four and a half o'clock, P. M.,

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bobb,

From the Select Committee, to whom was referred the charges preferred by Lane Schofield against Patrick McAntee, Supervisor of the Seventeenth Ward, submitted a Report, with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 75.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution,

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill passed by Select Council, entitled

“ AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the extension of the City Railroad on Market and Second streets,”

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second and third time, and passed finally.

Mr. Hacker

Also moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution passed by Select Council, entitled “Resolution to authorize the Second and Third street Passenger Railway Company to construct a connecting line on Race street,”

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution and Preamble were read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Riley offered the following

Resolution :

To give notice of the opening of Thirtieth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the

City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby directed to give notice to the owners of ground, through and over which Thirtieth street will pass, from Hamilton street, northward to Haverford street, that at the expiration of three months, from the time of serving of said notice, the said Thirtieth street will be opened for public use, as authorized by the Seventh Section of the Act of Assembly, approved April 21, A. D., 1854.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to refer this Resolution to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing that they had received a report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works, to cause Water Pipes to be laid in certain streets," which they had passed, and ask concurrence.

Mr. Gay

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Potter

From the Special Committee, to whom was referred the application of Albert Potts, Esq., for permission to place U. S. Post Office Boxes, upon the Lamp Posts, submitted a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the Post Office Department of the United States to attach Metallic Letter Boxes to the Lamp Posts of the City of Philadelphia." (*See Appendix No. 76.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gamble offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and is hereby directed to have tramway stone laid on Clinton street, Thirteenth Ward, from Brown to Poplar streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Cooley offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be instructed to inquire into, and ascertain by what right or pretence, the City Passenger Railway Companies claim to be owners of the *paving stones and cubical blocks* displaced from the streets in the laying of the tracks of their respective roads, and that he report to this chamber at its next meeting.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Fitler

Moved to amend, by adding after the word roads, the following words :

“And also by what authority the Tenth and Eleventh street Passenger Railway Company have laid their tracks upon the footways in the Twentieth Ward.”

Which was accepted by the mover.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Heins

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, August 19, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,

Messrs. Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McDonough,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,

Messrs. Riley,
Rubicam,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,

Messrs. Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Willey,
Wister,
Trego, *President*.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Petition from the voters of the Second Precinct of the Fourth Ward asking for a removal of the place of voting of said precinct.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Also,

A Petition from occupants of Wharton Market, asking that a Pump may placed in that vicinity.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Remonstrance against a renewal of the Contract with the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

Mr. Brennan

Presented a Claim of T. H. McCalla for carriage hire for the Board of Health to July 12, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Remonstrance against the paving of Trenton Avenue in the Nineteenth Ward.

Also,

A Remonstrance against the paving of Fifth Street, between Chatham and Diamond streets in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Kerr

Presented a Petition for the laying of Gas Pipes on Twelfth and Washington streets in the First and Second Wards.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. H. Miller

Presented a petition for a Gas Lamp on Hamilton street between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Baird

Presented the Petition of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company asking for a lease of Dock street Wharf for Five years.

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a Petition for the construction of a Culvert on Vine street west of Seventeenth street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys and Regulations.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition from property owners on Fifth street between Diamond and Chatham streets in the Nineteenth Ward, asking that the same may be paved.

Mr. Bowker

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-first Ward asking for the grading of Levering street,

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Jones.

Presented a Remonstrance against the location of the Small-pox Hospital on Harts Lane in the Twenty-first Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-fourth Ward asking for the grading of Bridge street.

Mr. Gay

Presented a Petition asking that Gas Lamps may be placed in Perry street, between Franklin and Master.

Also,

A Petition asking that Gas Lamps may be placed in Howard street above Franklin,

Which were referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition asking that Water Pipes may be laid in Cabot street between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets.

Mr. Fisher

Presented a Petition, asking that Water Pipes may be laid on Sixth street near Germantown Road, and on Germantown Road from Diamond to Eighth streets, and that the same be paved.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works

Also,

A Petition asking that the Footways on Columbia Avenue from Thirteenth to Fifteenth streets be paved.

Mr. Riley

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Twenty-fourth Ward asking for the grading of Chesnut street, between Fortieth and Forty-second streets.

Also,

A Petition for the opening of Thirty-ninth street in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Steelling

Presented a Petition from Charles Bird, asking compensation for damages caused by the overflow of the Culvert at Fifth street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Pugh

Presented a Remonstrance against the removal of the place of voting, in the Eighth precinct of the Fourteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the members of this Council from the Fourteenth Ward.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition asking that Gas Lamps may be placed in Logan Square,

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. McDonough

Presented a Communication from Patrick McDonough late Supervisor of the Third and Fourth Wards, asking to be released from his official bonds.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Hacker

From the Committee on Finance reported back to Councils a Communication from C. V. Nauman, asking that his sureties may be released.

And moved that it be referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

A Communication from the City Solicitor which had been referred to the Committee on Finance, with the following

Resolution

To authorize the City Solicitor to enter satisfaction on a certain mortgage.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be authorized and requested to enter satisfaction on the record of a certain mortgage, recorded in the office for recording deeds, &c., for the city and county of Philadelphia, in Mortgage Book R. D. W. No. 69, page 335, &c., the principal and interest of said mortgage having been fully paid.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Gordon

From the Committee on Poor, Presented a report on the subject of the deficiency in the appropriation to the Gaurdians of the Poor, and the causes of the same.

Which was laid on the table. (*See Appendix No. 77.*)

Mr. Hutchinson

From the Committee on Surveys and Regulations, presented a report on the subject of the application for a Culvert on the line of Twenty-fourth street northward from Coates to the Girard College, with a Resolution referring the subject to Committee on the Girard Estates.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Dennis

From the Committee on Claims presented a report on the subject of the claim of Z. C. Howell, Trustee of Wm. M. Evans, for damages, with a Resolution annexed discharging the Committee, from the further consideration of the subject.

The Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to refer the claim to the Committee on Law.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a further report from the same Committee on the claim of James McFarland, for overpaid costs with a Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject (*See Appendix No. 78.*)

The Resolution was read twice, and adopted.

Also,

A further report from the same Committee on the subject of the finances of the Board of Health, asking to be discharged therefrom, and that the matter be referred to the Special Committee of Investigation, into the Finances of the city.

Which request was granted.

Also,

A further report from the same Committee on the subject of removing the Election Poll in the Third Division of the Twenty-third Ward, with a Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject, and recommending its reference to the Committee on Law.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

A further report from the same Committee adverse to the claim of Charles M. Harker, with a Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject (*See Appendix No. 79.*)

The Resolution was read twice and adopted.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways submitted a report with a Resolution annexed entitled "Resolution authorizing the laying of an Iron Pavement." (*See Appendix No. 80.*)

Also,

"Resolution authorizing the paving of Church, Centre, and Huntingdon streets." (*See Appendix No. 80. Res. 2.*)

Also,

"Resolution authorizing the Repaving of Little Pine, and State streets with Tramway." *See Appendix No. 80. Res. 3.*)

Also,

"Resolution authorizing the grading of Spring Garden street west of Broad, and to require the paving of footways on the same street from Broad to Sixteenth streets." (*See Appendix No 80. Res. 4.*)

Also,

"Resolution authorizing the grading of East Washington Lane." (*See Appendix No. 80. Res. 5.*)

The First Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The Second Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The Third Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The Fourth Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The Fifth Resolution was read twice and adopted.

Mr. Moyer

From the the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a report with a Bill annexed entitled

"AN ORDINANCE

making an appropriation to the Companies composing the Fire Department." (*See Appendix No. 82.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time,

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend by striking out the words "Three Hundred," and "Two Hundred" in the Item of appropriations to the "Empire" and "Protection" Hook and Ladder Companies, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Two hundred and Fifty," in both instances.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Dickinson, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bowker, Brown, Case, Cattell, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Enyard, Epler, Fisher, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Heins, Hodgson, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kerr, Kersey, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McDonough, Morris, Rubican, Server, Schoch, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brennan, Cooper, Ellis, Fish, French, Gamble, Harbert, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wister, Trego,
President.

Yeas 30. Nays 26.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Steeling

Moved further to amend by striking out the appropriation to the Moyamensing Hose Company,

On this question the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Heins and McCahen,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Case, Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Ellis, Fisher, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Hodgson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketchum, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Hiram Miller, Nippes, Potter, Riley, Rubican, Steeling, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Bowker, Brown, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Epler, Fish, French, Gillingham, Hacker, Handy, Heins, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McDonough, Megary, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Thompson, Uber, Walsh, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 27. Nays 37.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Potter

Moved to postpone the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was read.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend by adding at the end thereof the following, "Provided that the item of Appropriation made to the Moyamensing Hose, shall not be paid to said Company if the charges now pending against them are sustained."

Mr. Pugh

Moved to lay this amendment on the table.

On this question the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Steeling and Wildey.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Bowker, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Enyard, Epler, Fish, French, Gillingham, Handy, Harmer, Heins, Holmes, Kelley, Kerr, Kersey, Krider, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McDonough, Megary, Morris, Pugh, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brown, Bullock, Cattell, Osborn Conrad Cooper, Ellis, Fisher, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Hodgson, Jones, Ketchum, Luther, Manuel, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wister, Wildey, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 30. Nays 33.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Gordon, the Yeas and Nays were demanded by Messrs. Dickinson and Walsh,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brown, Bulloch, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Doerr, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Hodgson, Holmes, Jones, Kersey, Ketchum, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Day, Dennis, Dickinson, Epler, French, Handy, Heins, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McDonough, Megary, Morris, Pugh, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 40. Nays 25.

So the motion was agreed to.

And the Second Section as amended was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Manderfield and Holmes.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Brown, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kerr, Kersey, Ketchum, Kriider, Luther, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McDonough, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Cooper, Holmes, Manderfield, Megary.

Yeas 61. Nays 5.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Wagner

On leave presented a Petition asking for the speedy construction of a Culvert on the line of the Cohochsink Creek.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis

Read in place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled an Ordinance to regulate the travel on Passenger Railways.

And moved to suspend the rules and proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was not agreed to.

And the Bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the consideration of the Bill entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize a loan to construct certain Culverts.”

Which was agreed to.

The question being on the final passage of the Bill the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Bullock and Hacker

Which were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Brown, Bulloch, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgson, Holmes, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Kersey, Ketchum, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Rubicam, Server, Schoch, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Nippes.

Yeas 65. Nays 2.

So the Bill passed.

A message was received from Select Council informing that they had received a message from the Mayor, returning with his objections a Bill, entitled an ordinance to authorize the extension of the City Railroad on Market and Second streets, and that they had passed the said Bill notwithstanding the veto of the Mayor, and ask concurrence.

The Message of the Mayor having been read,

Mr. Dennis

Moved to proceed to a reconsideration of the Bill, in accordance with Law.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been again read and the question recurring shall the Bill pass notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Dennis and Hacker,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bowker, Brown, Bulloch, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Hass, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kerr, Kersey, Ketchum, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McDonough, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Schoch, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brennan, Kelley, Megary, Walsh, Wetherill, Wister.

Yeas 62. Nays 6.

So the Bill passed.

A Message was received from Select Council informing that they had passed a Preamble and Resolutions in reference to the successful laying of the Atlantic Cable, and ask concurrence.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions were read a second time.

The First Resolution was agreed to.

The Second Resolution was agreed to.

The Third Resolution being under consideration,

Mr. Kelley

Moved that this Council do non-concur.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by adding after the word Councils the words "of Five members from each."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved further to amend by adding at the end of the Resolutions, the words "provided the expense shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars."

Mr. Megary

Moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words "five hundred," and insert "one thousand."

Mr. Gordon

Rose to a point of order and objected to the motion and the amendment upon the ground that no money can be appropriated except by Ordinance.

The President

Decided that the point was not well taken, in as much as this motion did not make an appropriation, but merely limited a proposed expenditure.

Mr. Dickinson

Moved that the further consideration of the amendments and the resolutions be postponed for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moyer,

Presented a further report from the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, with a Bill annexed entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

providing for the care and management of the Steam Fire Engines Philadelphia and Hope.”

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to postpone this motion together with the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the motion to suspend the rules, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Dickinson and Steelling.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bullock, Cattell, Comly, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gillingham, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon,

Hutchinson, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Kersey, Ketchum, Luther, Mascher, McBride, Megary, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Server, Simons, Smedley, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Case, Dickinson, Ellis, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Haas, Jones, Krider, Manuel, McIlvain, Potter, Rubicam, Steelling, Thompson, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 39. Nays 18.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

A message from Select Council was received, informing that they had passed a Resolution entitled, "Resolution to lay a water main on Twentieth street."

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Moyer

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Departments presented the seventh quarterly report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed. (*See Appendix No. 81.*)

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the consideration of Bill No. 4, C. C., File, now on its final passage entitled

"AN ORDINANCE

to provide for the construction of branch culverts and drains."

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been read a third time, and the question recurring shall this Bill pass,

It was agreed to.

And the Bill passed.

A message was received from Select Council informing that they had passed a Resolution entitled a "Resolution to transfer a certain item of appropriation to the Department of City Property."

Also,

A Bill entitled "an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of City Property, for the payment of labor and other expenses of the public squares."

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its title,

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed finally.

Mr. Jones

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred dollars be appropriated to finish grading Green Lane, in the Twenty-first Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Potter

Moved to resume the consideration of the Bill entitled

"AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the Post Office Department of the United States to attach metallic letter boxes to the lamp posts of the City of Philadelphia."

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to postpone the Bill for the present, and take up the Bill changing the name of certain streets, &c.

Which was not agreed to.

The First and only Section of the Bill was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Potter

Moved that the Bill be read a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

A message was received from Select Council informing that they had concurred in the

Resolution :

entitled "Resolution authorizing the repaving of Little Pine and State streets with tramway."

Also,

In the Resolution entitled "Resolution authorizing the paving of Church, Centre and Huntingdon streets."

Also,

In the Resolution, entitled "Resolution authorizing the grading of Spring Garden street west of Broad, and to require the paving of footways on the same street, from Broad to Sixteenth street."

Also,

In the Resolution entitled "Resolution authorizing the laying of an Iron pavement."

Also,

In the Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the petition of Charles M. Harker for damages.

Also,

In the Resolution entitled "Resolution authorizing the grading of East Washington Lane."

Also,

In the Resolution entitled "Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to enter satisfaction on a certain mortgage."

Also,

In the Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the claim of Zophar C. Howell for damages awarded to William M. Evans, for the opening of Thirty-second street.

Also,

In the Resolution discharging the Committee on claims from the further consideration of the request of the Board of Health for a further appropriation, and recommending its reference to the Special Committee on the subject.

Also,

In the Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the petition of James McFarland for a return of costs, &c.

Also,

In the Bill entitled an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the superintendent of Trusts, for the purposes therein mentioned.

Also,

In the Bill entitled an Ordinance to authorize and require the Superintendent of Trusts to make certain investments.

Mr. Wetherill

Read in his place and presented to the chair, a Bill entitled

"AN ORDINANCE

in relation to Passenger Railroad Companies."

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wister

Moved to recommit to the Committee on Law the Bill from Select Council entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

requiring the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to furnish the City Solicitor with measurements and descriptions of Property against which claims are to be filed.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by substituting Committee on Surveys, &c., for Committee on Law

Which was not agreed to.

The motion to recommit was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council informing that they had passed a Resolution entitled “Resolution to pay certain claims.”

Also,

A Bill entitled “an ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department for supplying the City with water for the year 1858.”

Also,

A Preamble and Resolution entitled “Resolution to authorize the Second and Third street Passenger Railway Company to construct a branch road on Shackamaxon and Penn streets.”

Also,

A Resolution requesting the Committee on Finance to inquire into the propriety of preparing an Ordinance to provide for the election of an examiner into the warrants drawn since Consolidation.

Also,

A Resolution authorizing the Finance Committee to report an Ordinance creating a "Cresson Trust."

In all of which they ask concurrence.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, August 26, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,

Messrs. Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kersey,
Ketchum,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McClean,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Nippes,
Pugh,
Riley,
Roats,
Rubicam,

Messrs. Savage,
 Server,
 Shermer,
 Simon,
 Simons,
 Smedley,
 Steelling,

Messrs. Thompson,
 Uber,
 Wagner,
 Walsh,
 Wildey,
 Wister,
 Trego, *President.*

The following Communication was received from the Guardians of the Poor :

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, August 20th, 1858. }

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN:—In the ordinance to make an appropriation to this Department (*Common Council File, No. 62.*), approved January 27th, 1858, Item 64, for the introduction of Gas into the Alms House, &c., \$7,200 00, conditional, appears :

By Communication from Councils to this Department, *under date of June 3d, 1858*, notice was given of the passage and approval, June 8, 1858, for authority to draw \$5,000 on account of said Item.

The Item Book in this office, not having been brought up since June 7th, I immediately compared accounts with the City Controller's Department, and finding bills drawn on said Item to the amount of \$5,514 68. I supposed the condition of the Item to be removed. Bills having been contracted by this Department prior to July, 1858, and passed, viz :

Trustees of Phila. Gas Works, for	\$396 33
To Archer, Warner, Miskey, & Co., for	469 29
Total,	<hr/> \$865 62

for which warrants were drawn. But having the same returned from the Controller to this Department, and

nothing in possession of this Department excepting the above recited communication of June 3d, 1858.

Respectfully ask permission to draw on the balance of said appropriation.

Yours truly,

J. R. DEACON,

Secretary, Board of Guardians of the Poor.

Also,

The following Communication :

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, August 20th, 1858. }

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia :

GENTLEMEN :—Agreeably to Preamble and Resolution passed by your body, requiring a list of Warrants countersigned prior to July 1st, 1858, remaining in this Department, I respectfully report that Warrants

No.	19, April 1857,	for	\$26 75,	favor of	Bunting, S.,	for	Salary.
"	1026, June 10, 1858,	"	3 12,	"	Colwell & Co.,	"	Pipes.
"	805, May 1, 1858,	"	9 11,	"	Gheen, J. R. & Co.,	"	Lumber.
"	31, April 8, 1857,	"	27 25,	"	Looney, Jno.,	"	Groceries.
"	741, May 1, 1858,	"	240 00,	"	Lockenmyer, M.,	"	Iron Bedsteads.
"	14, April 8, 1857,	"	22 23,	"	Negley, J. R.,	"	Salary, &c.,
"	874, May 30, 1857,	"	6 25,	"	Spillin, M. F.,	"	Groceries.
"	1147, June 25, 1858,	"	7 16,	"	Wood, J. & T.,	"	Repairs to Engine.
"	904, June 10, 1857,	"	68 00,	"	Wickersham, Morris,	"	Straw.

are still uncalled for in this office.

Yours truly,

J. R. DEACON,

Secretary, Board of Guardians of the Poor.

Which were referred to the Committee on Poor.

Also,

The following Communication.

HEALTH OFFICE,
Philadelphia, August 21, 1858, }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

I am directed by the Board of Health to transmit to you the annexed copy of Resolution passed this date.

Respectfully yours, &c.

WASH. L. BLADEN,

Clerk.

Resolved, That Councils be notified that a pressing necessity exists for proper sewerage in the neighborhood of Seventeenth and Catharine.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys, &c.

Also,

The following Communication :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, }
Philadelphia, August 25, 1858. }

*To the Honorable President and
Members of Common Council.*

At a meeting of Citizens in favor of celebrating in a more signal manner, the completion of the Atlantic Telegraph, held on Monday last, a Joint Committee of direction, representing the City Government and the Citizens, for such celebration, was resolved upon; the portion of this Joint Committee appointed by that meeting beg to present to the Councils their action recommending a mode and time of celebration.

They recommend that the 1st of September be selected as the day, that being the day which we are now definitely informed is selected by New York, London, and many other cities.

They recommend that a general participation of the Military be invited, and the participation of such Civic

Societies as may volunteer to unite in the proceedings; that the Fire Department be invited to participate by an evening parade. Fireworks and voluntary illumination are also recommended.

This Committee will be gratified if these suggestions meet the concurrence of the Common Council, and they solicit a Committee from your body to act with them on Thursday evening, August 26th, at the Board of Trade Rooms, for the purpose of completing the arrangements.

We have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

(*Authorized signature*)

ELLIS LEWIS,

Chairman of Committee.

LORRIN BLODGET,

Secretary.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules and proceed to the consideration of the Resolutions from Select Council in relation to a celebration of the laying of the Atlantic Cable, now on second reading.

Which was agreed to.

The Third Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Krider

Presented a communication from George R. Wentz, asking compensation for damages,

And moved that it be referred to a special committee of five.

Which was agreed to.

The President

Appointed Messrs. Krider, Baird, Manuel, Steelling, and Ellis.

Mr. Megary

Presented a remonstrance against a renewal of the contract with the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

Mr. Case

Presented a petition from citizens of Ninth Ward, asking that a gas lamp may be placed in Barker Street, between Nineteenth and Twentieth.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Kelton

Presented a petition from property owners on Twenty-second between Vine and Callowhill Streets, asking that said street may be paved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a communication from S. T. VanSant, in reference to the claims of J. D. Bayne, James H. Hurtt, and John H. Parker, for services in the City Commissioner's office.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a remonstrance against the proposed change of route of the Second and Third Street Passenger Railway.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also,

A petition for the removal for a short distance of a Gas Lamp in Cherry Street east of Fifth.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition for Gas Pipes in Jefferson Street between Tenth and Eleventh Streets, in the Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Petition from property owners on Forty-sixth Street, from the Baltimore Turnpike to the Darby Road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking that the same may be graded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Pugh

Presented a Petition for service-pipes for gas on Hutchinson Street between Ninth and Tenth Streets, in the Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

Also,

A Petition from William L. Knight and Martha H. Knight asking compensation for damages caused by the overflow of the culvert at their residence N. W. Corner of Eighteenth and Vine Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. H. Miller

Presented a Petition for paving Brown Street between Twenty-fourth and Minor Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition asking that Water Pipes may be laid in the same street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Kersey

Presented a Remonstrance against a double track of the Fairmount Passenger Railway on Callowhill Street from Twenty-third Street to the Wire Bridge.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also,

A Petition for privilege to construct a culvert in Carlton Street from Eleventh to Twelfth Streets.

Also,

A Petition for the completion of the Culvert on Twenty-fourth Street near Wood Street, and for the construction of a Culvert eastwardly from the river Schuylkill between Wood and Callowhill Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. McBride

Presented a Petition for Gas Lamps in Perry Street between Phoenix and Master Streets, in the Seventeenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Brown

Presented a Petition from John Funston, asking that certain overpaid charges for paving may be refunded.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition for Water Pipes in Sepviva Street,

between Vienna and Cumberland Streets, in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Wards.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of the same.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of Parker Street between York and Adams in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for Water Pipes in Twentieth Street from Ridge Avenue to Lancaster Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of said street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition for a Gas Lamp at the corner of Allen's Lane and Main Street, Germantown.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition for the grading of Lexington and Eagle Streets in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Mr. H. Miller

Presented two Petitions from citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, asking that Brown Street, from Twenty-first to Twenty-second Streets, may be opened and graded.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Eighth Precinct of the Fifteenth Ward, asking for a change in the location of the place of voting.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Hacker

From the Committee on Finance presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, transferring an item of appropriation. (*See Appendix No. 84.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "A Resolution to release the sureties of R. L. West."

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution. (*See Appendix No. 85.*)

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to provide for the application of the legacy of Elliott Creson, Esquire, to the City of Philadelphia." (*See Appendix No. 86.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Preamble was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to, and

The Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, and Sewers, and cleansing the City.” (*See Appendix No. 87.*)

And a Resolution to change an item of appropriation.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Cooley

Moved to postpone its further consideration, and that it be made the special order of business for next Thursday.

Which was not agreed to.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

On this question, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Cooley.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Comly, William Conrad, Cooper, Doerr, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Nippes, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Cooley, Gordon, Kelley, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, Megary, Thompson.

Yeas 51. Nays 9.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution accompanying the Report.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Brown

From the Committee on Port Wardens, Public Wharves and Landings, presented a Report with a Resolution an-

nexed, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the cleansing of Spruce Street Dock on the Delaware." (*See Appendix No. 88.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The following Message from the Mayor was received, and read :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, August 26, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinance and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 21st inst. A Resolution to enter satisfaction on certain official bonds.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution authorizing the grading of East Washington Lane.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution authorizing the repairing of Little Pine and State Streets, with tramway.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution authorizing the grading of Spring Garden Street west of Broad, and to require the paving of footways in the same street from Broad Street to Sixteenth Street.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution authorizing the laying of an Iron pavement.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution authorizing the paving of Church, Centre, and Huntingdon Streets.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution to authorize and require the Superintendent of Trusts to make certain investments.

On the 23d inst. A Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to enter satisfaction on a certain mortgage.

On the 23d inst. An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts, for the purposes therein mentioned.

On the 25th inst. An Ordinance to provide for the payment of \$600 to John Draper, a claim for damages assessed in opening Sixth Street near Elbow Lane.

On the 25th inst. A Resolution accepting the sureties of certain Supervisors.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was laid on the table.

Also the following,

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, August 26, 1858. {

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—On the morning of the 17th inst. during the firing of a municipal salute in honor of the completion of the laying of the Atlantic Telegraph cable, George Lowber and Thomas H. Snyder, Policemen of the Fifth District, were seriously wounded by the premature discharge of the gun.

The former has since undergone the amputation of his right arm, and the latter a part of his left arm.

Both were exemplary officers, prompt and efficient in the discharge of their duty, and possessed to an unusual degree of the esteem and confidence of their comrades.

Both are in the prime of life, and upon the labor of each depends the comfort and support of a large family.

I would recommend that an appropriation of such amount as you may deem fitting, should be made to each of these men, feeling assured that it will be worthily bestowed and rightfully made use of.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that so much of the last message as referred to the sufferers by the explosion at the late municipal celebration, be referred to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report an Ordinance, making an appropriation of five hundred dollars to each, viz: George Lowber, and Thomas H. Snyder.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gillingham,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, authorizing the survey of the Boudinot lands, in Centre County, Pa. (*See Appendix No. 89.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that its further consideration be postponed for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis,

From the Committee on Claims, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the City Commissioners for the purpose therein mentioned. (*See Appendix No. 90.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time, and the bill was therefore lost.

The first section was not agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council relative to the Committees of Councils. (*Page 280 Common Council Journal.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Resolutions were read a second time.

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council concurred,

Mr. Mascher

Read in his place and presented to the Chair, a Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

authorizing the appointment of a Transcribing Clerk to Common Council.”

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place and presented to the Chair, a Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to provide for selecting and fixing a location for a new City Hall.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on File.

Mr. Rubicam

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and is hereby directed to have Chesnut Street from Broad Street to Fifteenth Street, and from Sixteenth to Eighteenth Streets, repaved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of Bill, No. 8, on Common Council File, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to provide a lot of ground for the erection of a Grammar School, in the Fifteenth Ward."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of Bill, No. 15, on Common Council File, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to regulate the travel on Passenger Railways."

Which was agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved to amend line 8 of the First and only Section, by striking out the word "City," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "Prosecutor."

Which was not agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved to amend lines 4 and 5, by striking out the word "going," and inserting the word "coming" in each instance.

Which was agreed to.

The First and only Section as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend by adding as an additional section, the words:

Section two. That on and after this Ordinance becomes a law, the annual license for each and every Car on any Railroad now or hereafter laid down in this city, of the size now in use on the Passenger Railroads of this city, shall be fifty dollars.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelton

Moved that the First and Second Sections just adopted, together with the remainder of Bill No. 13, on Common Council File, be referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to amend by including in the motion, Bill, No. 12, on Common Council File.

The motion as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill, No. 11, on Common Council File.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend line 6 by striking out the words "cast iron," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "stone."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend lines 6 and 7, by striking out the word "Chestnut," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Spruce" in each instance.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was then agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

Mr. Morris

Moved to amend the Third Section, by adding after the word "Surveyors" in line 3, the words "and the Select and Common Councils."

Which was agreed to.

The Section, as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend the Fourth Section by adding at the end thereof, the words "subject to the approval of the Select and Common Councils."

Which was agreed to.

The Section, as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend the Fifth Section, by striking out the word "sufficient" in line 3, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "responsible."

Which was agreed to.

The Section, as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend the Sixth Section by striking out from lines 1 and 2, the words "Bonds of the City of Philadel-

phia," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "Stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at par."

Which was not agreed to.

The Sixth Section was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend the Seventh Section, by adding after the word "Bridge" in line 1, the words "and any land damages arising therefrom."

Which was agreed to.

The Seventh Section, as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to amend by adding the following Section, to be called

SEC. 8. That the sureties offered in accordance with the Fifth Section of this Ordinance, shall be subject to the approval of the Councils of the City of Philadelphia.

Which was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill from Select Council, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to change the names of certain Streets, Lanes, Courts, Alleys, &c., in the City of Philadelphia."

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time, and agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill from Select Council, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department for supplying the City with water for the year 1858." (*See Appendix, to Select Council, No. 110.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

The same gentleman

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

A message was received from Select Council, informing that the President of that Council had appointed Messrs. Norman, McIntyre, Parker, Williams, and Bradford, on the Committee created by the Resolution relative to the successful laying of the Atlantic Telegraph Cable.

Mr. Dennis

Moved that the Clerk be instructed to transmit to Select Council, the Report from the Joint Special Committee on Retrenchment and Reform, with information that the Report had been made to this Council in mistake. (*See Appendix to Common Council, No. 49.*)

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the motion.

Which was agreed to,

Nr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled,

Resolution:

authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to lay water pipes in certain streets. (*See Appendix to Select Council, No. 32*)

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Title was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Dennis

Moved a call of the House; pending which,

The President

Announced that he had appointed the following gentlemen as the Committee under the resolutions, in reference to the successful laying of the Atlantic Telegraph Cable, viz: Messrs. Dennis, Wildey, Luther, Megary, and Harmer.

Mr. Megary

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, September 2, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,

Messrs. Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kersey,
Ketcham,¹
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McClean,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,

Messrs. Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simon,

Messrs. Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

Mr. Server

Presented a Petition from property owners and residents of the First Ward, for a culvert in Federal Street between Ninth Street and Passyunk Road.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Petition for water pipe in Canal Street, from Jefferson Avenue to Fifth Street, in the First Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for curbing and paving the same.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

One for a Gas Lamp on Denmark Street, and one on Trellis Street, in the First Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. G. B. Miller

Presented an application from G. H. Huddell for a lease of Dock Street Wharf.

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition for a gas lamp on Johnson Street between Twentieth and Twenty-first Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

A Petition for water pipe in Barker Street near Twentieth Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for paving Aspen Street from Chestnut Street to Ash Alley.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition from James Elliot, asking to be released from his sureties as late Supervisor of the Ninth and Tenth Wards.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Petition for a culvert in the vicinity of Fifteenth and Filbert Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Gay

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Fourth Street between Diamond and Dauphin Streets, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Also,

One for water pipes in Ann Street in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wildey

Presented a Remonstrance against a change of route of the Second and Third Street Railroads.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition from George Cubbler, contractor at Girard Avenue Bridge, asking that his securities may be released.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of the foot-walks on Twenty-second Street between Columbia Avenue and Jefferson Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Fish

Presented a Petition for a market stand on the east side of Broad Street, between Brown and Coates Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Petition from the Western Engine Company, for a fire plug in front of their Engine House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wagner

Presented a Bill from C. E. Cady, M. D., for services as Vaccine Physician.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Harmer

Presented a Petition for a gas lamp, on or near Linden Street in the Twenty-second Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Petition from Horatio Hubbell, asking for an opportunity to demonstrate that the honor of originating the Atlantic Telegraph belongs to the City of Philadelphia.

Mr. Wister

On leave offered the following Preamble and Resolution, relative to the first projection of the Atlantic Telegraph :

Whereas, Horatio Hubbell, a citizen of Philadelphia, did, by his memorial of 1849, first project a plan of Telegraph communication between America and Europe, which memorial was presented by himself, in connection with the late Colonel John H. Sherburne, to Congress through the hands of ex-Vice-President Dallas, and the Hon. Jos. R. Ingersoll, on the 29th day of January, 1849, in which memorial the existence of a plateau and table land between Newfoundland and Ireland, was first announced to the world, and designated as the spot peculiarly adapted for laying down the Telegraph wire. Therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the honor of having originated the gigantic project belongs, and ought to be given, to Horatio Hubbell, a citizen of Philadelphia.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

Mr. Smedley

Presented a Petition for a change of grade on Leiper Street, between Church and Unity Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Also,

A Bill from Charles E. Deal, for work and materials on highways in the Twenty-third Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition from R. L. Wardell, asking permission to make a connection with the water-main on the Lancaster Pike.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Dennis

Presented a Petition for the repaving and laying of tramway on Budden's Alley, north of Arch Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition for gas pipes on Second Street, from Montgomery to York Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Kelton

Presented a Petition for a change of route of the Richmond Branch of the Second and Third Street Railway.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gordon,

From the Committee on Poor, presented a Bill entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Board of Guardians of the Poor, for the expenses of that Department, for the balance of the year 1858.”

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to refer the Bill to the Committee on Finance.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report, with a Preamble and Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Commissioner of Highways, to cancel certain contracts." (*See Appendix No. 91.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

The Resolution was adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution admitting the Congress Fire Company into the Fire Department." (*See Appendix, No. 92.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

The Resolution was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts to pay taxes, and make a survey of the Boudinot Lands.”

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend, by adding after the words, “expend the same,” the words, “or so much thereof as may be necessary.”

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gheen

Moved to amend, by striking out the words, “eight hundred,” and inserting in lieu thereof, the words, “one thousand.”

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to refer the Bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report an Ordinance providing for the sale of the Boudinot Lands.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend by substituting Committee on Poor.

Which was not agreed to.

The motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Potter

Moved to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, with instructions to report the Bill with the appropriations itemized.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that the Special Committee, appointed on May 10th, (*P. 42, C. C. Journal*), "to investigate the affairs of the previous administration of the public affairs of the City," be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Which was not agreed to.

The following Message from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, September 2, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The following Ordinance has been approved and signed, viz :

On the 30th ult., An Ordinance to regulate the paving of Streets, Lanes and Alleys.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Also the following :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, September 2, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—I have received and examined several complaints, preferred against the Alderman appointed by

you, to be the Committing Magistrate of the Second Police District.

It is recommended that inquiry be made whether there is not sufficient cause for your removal of that officer.

This recommendation is made after due notice to this Magistrate, and after ample time for the resignation of his office, if he had chosen to withdraw therefrom.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Luther

Moved to refer the Communication last read, to a Special Committee of Five.

Mr. Wildey

Moved to amend by substituting Committee on Police.

Mr. Kelly

Moved to amend by substituting Committee on Law.

The amendment to the amendment was not agreed to.

The amendment was not agreed to. ~

Mr. Wm. Conrad

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the motion until next Thursday.

Which was not agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

The President

Appointed Messrs. Luther, Dennis, Kelley, Wildey and Wm. Conrad the Committee under the motion.

Mr. Megary

Offered the following

Resolution :

Relative to Independence Hall.

Resolved, by the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Commissioner of City Property be, and he is hereby directed to have a suitable inscription placed over the door of the Hall of Independence, by which strangers may be able to designate the room in which the Declaration of Independence was signed.

And moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and not agreed to.

Mr. Fisher

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain that the Department of Highways is authorized to proceed to grade the following Streets in the Twentieth Ward :—

Columbia Avenue, between Marshall and Seventeenth Streets.

Oxford, between Fifteenth and Eighteenth Streets.

Master, between Ridge Avenue and Twenty-second Street.

Eighteenth, between Master Street and Susquehanna Avenue.

Twentieth, between Ridge Avenue and Twenty-second Street.

Poplar Street, west of Ridge Avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Rubicam

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to notify the property holders upon Johnson Street between Twentieth and Twenty-first Streets, in the Ninth Ward, to have the sidewalks upon said Street graded and paved.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk of Common Council is hereby authorized to have printed three hundred copies of a small pocket manual, to contain the names of members of the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, with the Standing Committees and the Heads of Departments, and also the Rules of Councils, and such other information of a municipal character as he may possess.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by substituting Five Hundred for Three Hundred.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Dennis

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to assist in defraying the expenses of the recent celebration of the successful laying of the Ocean Telegraph Cable.”

Which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Jones

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer of the Water Department be instructed to report to Councils some plan by which the citizens of the Twenty-first Ward may be supplied with water, and the probable cost thereof.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution from Select Council, of August 19th, entitled, “Resolution to pay certain claims.”

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, of July 8th, “Instructing the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform to consider the propriety of reporting an Ordinance for the appointment of commissioners to consider and examine all

subjects connected with the several departments, with a view to mature some general plan for their better government."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to proceed to the second reading of the Preamble and Resolution, from Select Council of July 8th, "Instructing the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department with reference to the distribution of Steam Fire Engines, over such parts of the City where they are most needed."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, 8th July, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works, to lay water pipes in the several streets."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Morris

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Preamble and Resolution, from Select Council, August 19, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the Second

and Third Street Passenger Railway Company to construct a branch road on Shackamaxon and Penn Streets."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Wildey

Moved to amend by adding at the end thereof, the words "*Provided*, that the said Railway Company shall have first constructed their road, according to the original route, as prescribed by the Legislature."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Gamble

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, of August 19th, "Requesting the Committee on Finance to inquire into the propriety of preparing an Ordinance to provide for the election of an Examiner into the warrants drawn since Consolidation."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to postpone the Resolution for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 8 on Common Council File, entitled, "An

Ordinance to provide a Lot of Ground for the erection of a Grammar School in the Fifteenth Ward."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

Mr. Gay

Moved that the Bill be referred to the Committee on Schools, for the purpose of conferring with the Board of Control on the propriety of locating a School-house on the proposed location, and report to Councils at an early day.

Mr. G. B. Miller

Moved to amend, by adding at the end, the words, "and that they also report an Ordinance, providing for the purchase of a lot of ground and the erection of a School-house, in the Second Ward."

The amendment and the motion were withdrawn.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill on page 71, Common Council Appendix, enti-

ted, "An Ordinance to fix certain revised Line and Grade Regulations."

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Dennis,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Regulating the Speed of Cars, in passing the crossings of other City Railroads.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the drivers of the cars of all the City Railroads now constructed, or hereafter to be constructed, shall be required, under a penalty of ten dollars for each offence, to walk their horses while passing the crossings of all other City Passenger Railroads; the said penalty to be recovered as other penalties are recovered, and to be paid into the City Treasury.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, September 9, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,

Messrs. Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,

Messrs. Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,
Roats,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,

Messrs. Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Willey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President*.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Remonstrance against the renewal of the contract with the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Also,

A Petition from the occupants of Wharton Market, asking for the erection of a shed at the southern end of the same.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Server

Presented a Petition for the paving of Second Street, from Moore to Mifflin Streets, in the First Ward.

Mr. Thompson

Presented a Communication from Edward Lynch, asking direction relative to filling a contract for paving.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Twenty-first Street, between South and Shippen Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of the same.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition for a lamp on Lombard Street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition for a culvert in George Street, from Twenty-first Street to the Schuylkill.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Petition for measures to compel property holders on Water Street to widen said street in accordance with Ordinance.

Which was referred to the Committee on Girard Estates.

Mr. Epler

Presented a Petition for a Culvert in Jefferson Street, from Seventh to Mifflin Streets, in the Seventeenth and Twentieth Wards.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Pugh

Presented a Petition from Philip Quigley, asking for the payment of a certain claim against the City.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Petition from C. S. Williams, asking per-

mission to open windows upon the line of the Northwest school lot.

Which was referred to the Committee on City Property.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition from Arnold & Wilson, asking payment of a Bill for Furnace Work, &c., furnished to the public buildings.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Fisher

Presented a Petition for the removal of the Second Precinct House of the Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for an inlet to the culvert at Tenth and Thompson Streets.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition for the opening of Wayne Street in the Twenty-second Ward.

Also,

One for the opening of Roberts' Avenue in the same Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Smedley

Presented a Petition for the repeal of an Ordinance preventing the sale of Butchers' Meat in the streets of Frankford.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition for the opening of Buckius Street in the Twenty-third Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Cattell

Presented a Petition for the grading and regulation of that portion of the Twenty-fourth Ward included in the Fifth Section of the Survey of the late District of Blockley, and also for the extension of Forty-ninth Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. H. Miller

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Centre Street, from Eighteenth to Twentieth Streets.

Also,

One for water pipes in West Street, from Coates to Brown Streets.

Also,

One for water pipes in Twenty-second Street, from Spring Garden to Callowhill Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

One for the paving of West Street, from Coates to Parrish Streets.

Also,

One for the paving of Twenty-second Street, from Spring Garden to Callowhill Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.



The President

Submitted the following communication from the Board of Health:—

HEALTH OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 1st, 1858. }

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:

I am directed by the Board of Health to transmit to you the annexed statement of Warrants remaining unpaid in this Department.

Respectfully yours, &c.

WASH. L. BLADEN,

Clerk.

Warrants drawn by order of the Board of Health and countersigned by City Controller, remaining in Health Office to July 1st, 1858.

Sept. 1st, 1858.

<i>Date.</i>	<i>To whom payable.</i>	<i>Purposes.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Item.</i>	<i>Amt.</i>
June 1.	Lewis Taylor,	Vaccine Physician,	217,		\$4 14
July 1.	J. B. Gilman,	"	222,		4 14
"	Joseph Shippen,	"	234,		4 14
"	Thomas Craig,	"	239,		4 14
"	J. Morrison,	"	242,		4 14
"	Byron Hout,	"	246,		4 14
"	Joseph Heritago,	"	247,		4 14
"	Patrick Streiveum,	Nuisances,	274,		1 00
"	Isaac Wilson,	Sundries,	288,	1857,	3 50
August 31.	William Bouker,	Repairs,	424,	" 29,	5 00
" "	Forsyth & Brother,	"	433,	" 32,	75
October 12.	Edgar Janvier,	Vaccine Physician,	504,	" 36,	4 16
November 5,	Robert Brodie,	Drugs,	542,	" 10,	3 43
1858.				1858.	
June 28.	A. M'Elroy,	Directories,	125,	" 19,	5 00
" 30.	Trustees Gas Works,	Gas,	159,	" 9,	5 00
July 7.	C. M'Neal,	Water Coolers,	176,	" 23,	7 50

And upon which, as far as any information received in this office, no suits have been commenced.

Which was laid on the table.

The following message was received from the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, September 9, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances have been approved and signed, viz:

On the 9th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and cleansing the City.

On the 9th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department for supplying the City with Water for the year 1858.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Hacker,

From the Committee on Finance, moved that certain petitions for release from official bonds be referred to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

Presented a Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution relative to the examination of certain warrants drawn upon the City Treasurer." (*See Appendix No. 93.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution releasing the sureties of Eugene Ahern." (*See Appendix No. 94.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Wm. Conrad,

From the Committee on Gas, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

supplementary to an Ordinance approved May 10th, 1858, for the further extension of the Gas Works." (*See Appendix, No. 95.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and that it be printed for the use of members.

Mr. Gay

Moved to amend by striking out so much of the motion as refers to printing.

Which was not agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report with three Resolutions annexed, and moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the repaving of certain streets with tramway." (*See Appendix No. 96.*)

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelly

Moved to amend by adding the following:

Resolved, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and is hereby instructed to notify the "Southwark Railroad Company" to pave the street between the tracks of their Road on Washington Avenue and Swanson Street.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

The Title as amended was adopted.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Resolution, accompanying the Report of the Committee on Highways, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the paving of certain streets."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consider-

ation of the Third Resolution, accompanying the Report of the Committee on Highways, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the paving of Locust Street."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Communication from C. B. Andress, Chief Commissioner of Highways, in reply to several Resolutions of Inquiry proposed by this Council. (*See Appendix No. 97.*)

Mr. Jones

From the Committee on Police, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

offering a reward of Five Hundred Dollars for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer or murderers of John E. Clark." (*See Appendix No. 98.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts, to pay Taxes, and make a survey of the Boudinot Lands, and expenses.” (*See Appendix No. 99.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to defray expenses in the removing of certain telegraph boxes.” (*See Appendix No. 100.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by striking out the word “three,” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “four,” and by adding at the end of the Section, “And that the signal boxes at Eleventh and Anita Streets, in the First Ward, and Carpenter above Sixth Street, in the Second Ward, be reconstructed at an expense of not more than one hundred dollars.”

The amendment was agreed to.

The Section, as amended, was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Brown,

From the Committee on Wharves and Public Landings,
presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the Commissioner of Markets to lease Dock
Street Wharf to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.”
(*See Appendix No. 101.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and con-
sideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to amend by adding as a Third Section the
following:—

SECTION 3. That a lease be granted to Geo. H. Hud-
dell and Jonathan Cone, for the Wharf at Chestnut Street,
for the same period, at the annual rental of Twenty-two
Hundred Dollars, at the expiration of the present lease.

Which was not agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third
reading.

Mr. Brown

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a
third time by its Title.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Wister and Dennis.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Case, Cattell, Comly, Cooley, Cooper, Day, Dickinson, Ellis, French, Gheen, Gillingham, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Kersey, Ketchum, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wildey, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Carson, William Conrad, Dennis, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, Gamble, Gordon, Haas, Pugh, Schoch, Wister.

Yeas 58. Nays 16.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time by its Title, and passed.

Mr. Kelley

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works be requested to inform Common Council what further legislation is necessary in order to enable them to lay sufficient Gas Pipe in the old district of Southwark, to supply the inhabitants thereof with Gas, in the event of the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company not being willing to dispose of their property upon the terms and conditions of the Ordinance approved May 10th, 1858.

And moved to proceed to the second reading; and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Jones

Offered the following

Resolution:

Relative to wages of laborers on Public Highways.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Highways shall not reduce the wages of laboring men employed by the City, without first submitting the matter to the action of Councils.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Kerr

Offered the following

Resolution:

Relative to payments into the City Treasury by the Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Poor be directed to inquire why the present Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor, has not paid any money into the City Treasury since his election to said office, on the first Monday in July last.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Cattell

Read in his place, and presented to the chair a bill entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

to prevent obstructions upon Passenger Railway tracks.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on File.

Mr. Potter

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, that the Committee on Schools be, and they are hereby directed to enquire into the wants of the Department as regards School-houses; also as to whether the City is now owner of any lots of ground so located, that they may be made available for the erection of said school-houses.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Cooley

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, that the Committee on Girard Estates be instructed to ascertain and report to Councils, what amount of funds, if any, there be on hand, applicable to the improvement of the City front, that may be used in widening Delaware Avenue.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Mr. Manuel

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Highways are hereby directed to notify the owners of properties fronting on the following named streets, to set the curb and grade and pave the sidewalks, opposite their respective properties.

Marshall Street, between Oxford and Montgomery Streets.

Twenty-second Street, from North College Avenue to Jefferson Street.

Twenty-first Street, from Ridge Avenue to Columbia Avenue.

Twenty-second Street, from Ridge Avenue to Columbia Avenue.

Nicholas Street, from Twenty-first to Twenty-second Streets.

Sharswood Street, from Ridge Avenue to Twenty-second Street.

Wright Street, from Twentieth Street to Twenty-second Street.

North College Avenue, (north side) from Ridge Avenue to Twenty-second Street.

. All being in the Twentieth Ward of said City.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Smedley

Offered the following

Resolution:

Whereas, Bridge Street, from Jackson Street to the Bristol Turnpike Road, in 23d Ward, was partially graded

during the past winter, in consequence of which the street is now in bad condition, and unsafe for public travel. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Highways be directed, and he is hereby authorized, to complete the grading of said street, or so much of it as will make the street safe for public travel.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to discharge the Committee on Law from the further consideration of the Petition of Alexander Moore to enter satisfaction on a certain lien for Water Pipe,

Which was agreed to.

The same gentleman

Offered the following Preamble and

Resolution:

To enter satisfaction on a certain lien.

Whereas, On the 17th day of January, 1852, a Deed was made by William Deal, Esq., Sheriff, to Alexander Moore, for a certain lot of ground situated on the south side of Market Street, (West Philadelphia,) between Moore and Margaret Streets, containing in front on the said Market Street 100 feet, said property having been sold as the property of A. J. Brazier, D. C., Book Y, page 254, &c. And *Whereas*, It appears that a lien was entered against said lot, (for water pipe, amount \$100,) as the property of A. J. Brazier. Lien is marked M, 54, No. 85, March 15th, 1854.

And inasmuch as it appears that the amount of said lien was paid by Alexander Moore on the 5th day of May, 1854, as appears by the Books of the Treasurer of the late District of West Philadelphia, and also by check of Alexander Moore in favour of and endorsed by the said Trea-

surer, that the same has been paid in full, the receipt for which has been lost or mislaid; and as it is desired that satisfaction should be entered of Record. Be it

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby authorized to enter satisfaction on a certain lien for Water Pipe in the late District of West Philadelphia, marked M, 54, No. 85, for \$100, in the name of A. J. Brazier. *Provided*, That the Solicitor be satisfied that the same is correct.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that hereafter it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to draw, or cause to be drawn, over the City Railroads more than one double or two single freight cars in one train, and that there shall be at least one hundred feet of space between each train, under a penalty of Five Dollars for each and every such offence, to be collected before any Alderman of this city, and by him paid into the City Treasury.

Mr. Brown

Moved to refer to the Committee on Railroads.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize a loan to pay claims against and defray expenses of the City.” Reported by the Committee on Finance, August 12th, 1858. (*See Appendix to Jour. No. 70.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk

Laid before Councils, in conformity with law, copies of the “Daily News” and “Pennsylvania Inquirer,” in which said Bill had been published daily for four weeks.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time.

And on the question, Shall the Bill pass? The yeas and nays were ordered in conformity with law, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gay,

Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Kerr, Mascher.

Yeas, 70. Nays, 2.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. Krider,

From the Select Committee, to whom was referred the petition of George R. Wentz, for damages for injuries received by him by an explosion of gas in March last, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution recommending a payment to George R. Wentz, by the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works." (*See Appendix No. 101.*)

Which was read.

Mr. Krider

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution having been read a second time,

Mr. Cooley

Moved to strike out the word "eight" before the word "hundred" and insert the word "four."

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Luther

Moved to proceed to the second reading of Bill No. 18, on Common Council File, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to assist in defraying the expense of the recent celebration of the successful laying of the Ocean Telegraph Cable.”

Which was not agreed to.

Select Council informed, that they had received a Report from the Committee on City Property, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

relative to the City Hospital premises upon Coates Street, and providing for the removal of the same, and the erection of a new Hospital.”

Also,

A report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works, to draw on Item No. 35 of an appropriation made to that Department, in an Ordinance approved January 28, 1858.

Also,

A Report from the Committee on City Property, with a Resolution annexed, requesting the Committee on Finance to report an Ordinance making an appropriation of \$8,916 90, for the payment of claims against the City, arising out of the construction of the Eleventh District Police Station House, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Also,

A Report from the Committee on Water Works, with Resolution, entitled, “Resolution to lay water pipes on Ash and other streets.”

Also,

A Report from the Committee on City Property, with a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Making an appropriation to the Department of City Property, for the purposes therein mentioned, and also to prevent the burial of bodies in a certain lot of ground in the Fifteenth and Twentieth Wards of the City.”

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

Supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, “An Ordinance, to authorize the sale of a certain lot of ground in the Fifteenth Ward, and to provide for the erection of a Hospital Building, with part of the proceeds thereof, Approved, March 5th, 1856.”

Which were severally read.

Mr. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bills from Select Council, now on the President's Desk.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

relative to the City Hospital premises upon Coates Street, and providing for the removal of the same, and the erection of a new Hospital.”

Was then read a second time.

The First Section being under consideration,

Mr. Dennis

Moved that its further consideration be postponed until next Thursday.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the First Section, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Dennis and Pugh.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dickinson, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kerr, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, Hiram Miller, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Carson, Dennis, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Eppler, Gamble, Hodgdon, Kelley, Luther, Walsh.

Yeas 51. Nays 10.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Fourth Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Ordinance was read a third time, and passed finally.

Mr. Pugh

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 17 on Common Council File, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

authorizing the appointment of a Transcribing Clerk to Common Council.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution from Select Council, “Authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to draw on Item No. 35 of an appropriation made to that Department in an Ordinance approved January 28th, 1858,”

Was read a second time and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

The Resolution from Select Council, “Requesting the Committee on Finance to report an Ordinance making an appropriation of \$8,916.90 for the payment of claims against the city, arising out of the construction of the Eleventh Police Station House in the Nineteenth Ward,”

Was read a second time.

Mr. Potter

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved that Council do now adjourn.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Steelling and Potter.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bowker, Carson, Case, William Conrad, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Eryard, Fisher, Gamble, Harbert, Heins, Kerr, Krider, Mascher, McBride, Hiram Miller, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Steelling, Wagner.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brown, Bullock, Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Ellis, French, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hodgdon, Holmes, Hutchinson, Manuel, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Simons, Smedley, Thompson, Uber, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 22. Nays 28.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The Resolution from Select Council, entitled, Resolution to lay water pipes in Ash, and other streets,"

Was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of the Resolution annexed to the Report of the Committee on Gas Works.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wister,

On leave, read in his place and presented to the chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

relating to sales for taxes and claims.”

Which was ordered to be printed and placed on file.

Mr. Steelling

Moved that Council do now adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill from Select Council, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE

making an appropriation to the Department of City Property for the purposes therein stated, and also to prevent the burial of bodies in a certain lot of ground in the Fifteenth and Twentieth Wards of the City.”

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

On this question, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Uber and Bowker.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Eckfeldt, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kerr, Krider, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steeling, Thompson, Wagner, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Wildey and Bowker.

Yeas 46. Nays 2.

So the motion was agreed to.

And the Bill was read a third time and passed finally.

Mr. Steelling

Moved that Council do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, September 16, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Day,
Dennis,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,

Messrs. Hacker,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McClellan,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Quinn,

Messrs. Riley,
Roats,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,

Messrs. Thompson,
Uher,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

The following message was received from the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, September 16, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 14th inst., An Ordinance providing for the care and management of the Steam Fire Engines, Philadelphia and Hope.

On the 14th inst., A Resolution to change an item of appropriation.

On the 16th inst., An Ordinance offering a reward of \$500 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer or murderers of John E. Clark.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution authorizing the paving of certain streets.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution transferring an item in the appropriation to the City Commissioners.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution authorizing the repaving of Locust Street.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution to release the sureties of R. L. West.

On the 16th inst., Resolutions authorizing the repaving of certain streets with tramway, and for other purposes.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution relative to the examination of certain warrants drawn upon the City Treasurer.

On the 16th inst., An Ordinance to authorize the Post Office Department of the United States to attach metallic letter boxes to the lamp posts of the City of Philadelphia.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution authorizing the cleansing of Spruce Street Dock on the Delaware.

On the 16th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay taxes, and make a survey of the Boudinot Lands, and expenses.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution admitting the Congress Fire Company into the Fire Department.

On the 16th inst., A Resolution authorizing the Chief Commissioner of Highways to cancel certain contracts.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Moore Street, from Shippen Lane to Evans Street, in the Third Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition for the paving of Twenty-fifth Street, from Pine to Lombard Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition from citizens of the Seventh Ward, asking for a new arrangement and proper distribution of the places of voting.

Which was referred to the members of this Council from the Seventh Ward.

Mr. Ketcham

Presented a Petition for the repaving with tramway stone of Gilbert and Kessler Streets, in the Thirteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Bullock

Presented the following Communication from the Chief Commissioner of Highways:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 16th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils,
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have repeatedly notified the President, Directors and Contractors of the various Passenger Railways that are now being constructed throughout the City, to remove obstructions existing along the lines of their Roads, but without having the desired effect; and complaints about the same continuing to be made at this office, I feel it to be my duty, (as the Ordinance does not give me any power to act in the premises,) to call your attention to the necessity of some further legislation upon the subject.

Very respectfully, yours,

C. B. ANDRESS,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to refer to the Committee on Railroads, and that they be instructed to report an Ordinance regulating Passenger Railways.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Remonstrance from William Harper, Jr., against changing the names of "Forrest Place" and "Harper Place."

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Petition for water pipes on Fennimore Street, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of the same.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a Petition from C. Sherman & Son, for a private drain from Seventh and Cherry to Race Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Also,

Presented a Petition for the paving of Fifteenth Street from Poplar Street to Girard Avenue.

Mr. Bowker

Presented a Petition for the opening of Tower Street.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition for four lamps, on East Logan Street, in the Twenty-second Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Kersey

Presented a Petition for water pipes on Brown Street, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for paving the same.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Petition from William Engard, late Supervisor of the Twenty-third Ward, to be released from his sureties.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. G. B. Miller

Presented a Petition for the removal of the Precinct house of the fifth division of the Second Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Bill of D. Birch, M. D., for Medical services at the Eighteenth Ward Station House in 1856.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also,

A Petition from the Washington Hook and Ladder Company, asking to be admitted into the Fire Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Cattell

Presented a Plan of a proposed extension of the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway on Woodland, Chestnut,

and William Streets to Woodland Cemetery, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Cattell

Presented a Petition of Wm. M. Hacker, for the payment of a claim against the city.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Kelton

Presented a Petition for the grading of Clinton and Howard Streets, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

The following Communication was received from the City Controller:

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 16, 1858. }

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:

GENTLEMEN:—There has been received at this Department, an Ordinance, approved Sept. 9th, 1858, entitled, "An Ordinance, to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City—

"SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Twenty-two Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City, for the Building of Wing Walls to Girard Avenue Bridge, and the repairs to Bridges."

A question has arisen between the Chief Commissioner of Highways, and the Department, as to whether this appropriation is, or is not confined to repairs upon Girard Avenue Bridge alone; the controversy is based upon the closing words of the Ordinance, "and repairs to *Bridges*,"

which, it is contended by the Commissioner of Highways, opens the appropriation to claims for repairs to other bridges. The position taken by this Department is, that that the appropriation is based upon an estimate of the Chief Engineer and Surveyors, for repairs to Girard Avenue Bridge, of twenty-one thousand nine hundred dollars, and was for this bridge alone. It is therefore most respectfully asked of your body, that you interpret the Ordinance, and if the appropriation be intended for other purposes than repairs to Girard Avenue Bridge, that the bill be so itemized that this Department can watch expenditures upon each item.

Very respectfully yours,

GEORGE W. HUFTY,

City Controller.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to refer the Communication to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

The following Communication was received from the City Solicitor:

CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 16th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The items in the appropriation to the Law Department for stationery and blank books, miscellaneous expenses, advertising and posting notices of plans and surveys, and for printing, are exhausted.

The appropriation for stationery and blank books for this year, was \$300. This sum was expended before I entered upon the duties of this office, May 13th, save the sum of \$48.24. The supply of stationery on hand at that time was very scanty.

This balance I chiefly expended in the purchase of

certain dockets and blank books, essentially requisite to the systematic working of the Department.

The appropriation for the miscellaneous expenses of the Department, was \$250.00, of which I found an unexpended balance of \$75.47. With economy, I think \$100 in each of these items will meet our wants for the year.

The appropriation for printing has been exhausted, by reason of our requiring so large a number of blanks in the filing of liens for registered taxes. I think \$50.00 additional will answer in this item. For advertising and posting notices of plans and surveys, I would suggest the additional sum of \$200.00.

The appropriation to this Department for Sheriff's costs will not all be needed, I would therefore suggest a transfer from that item to the items above mentioned.

No appropriation has been made to this Department to meet the expenses incident to the collection of the registered taxes, which we by law are required to collect.

The Act of Assembly directs, that before suit shall be brought for the recovery of said taxes, notice thereof shall be given by publication in *two* daily newspapers.

I cannot now tell what amount will be required for that purpose. It will to a great extent depend upon our ability to obtain descriptions of property from the District Surveyors. We are filing liens as rapidly as we can obtain descriptions. Allow me again to urge upon you the great need of an Ordinance enjoining the District Surveyors to furnish descriptions of the real estate against which taxes have been assessed remaining unpaid.

I believe when owners of real estate find that the City will sell their property to recover her unpaid taxes, and also bid it up to the amount of her demand and costs, they will exhibit an anxiety to discover and pay the same, which we will in vain look for under our present system of collection.

As is here suggested, some one on behalf of the City must be authorized to bid the property to the amount of the City's claim, or the Sheriff's sale will wipe out the tax without adding a dollar to the City's treasury.

For an Ordinance of this character I have urgently asked, and permit me again to call your attention to the matter. Now when the City is suffering from an exhausted treasury, when a resort to a loan to meet the ordinary expenditures of the year is necessary, attention to this subject would certainly be well-timed.

I suppose an appropriation of about \$2000.00 will be sufficient to make the publications required in the proceedings for the collection of the unpaid taxes.

Very respectfully,

HENRY T. KING,

City Solicitor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Hacker

From the Committee on Finance, presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Bill annexed, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance entitled, 'An Ordinance prescribing the powers and duties of the Receiver of Taxes,' approved July 27, 1854." (*See Appendix No. 103.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed until Thursday next.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to amend by striking out the word "eight," before the word Clerks, and insert "six."

Mr. Jones

Moved to amend the amendment by striking out "six" and inserting "four."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend the amendment by striking out "six" and inserting "five."

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to strike out the word "permanent," and insert "temporary," and to strike out the words "removable at the pleasure of the said Receiver," and to insert, "shall serve from the first of October to the first of April."

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the adoption of the first section, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Kerr.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooper, Dennis, Ellis, Eckfeldt, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, G. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Cooley, Day, Dickinson, Epler, Gay, Jones, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, McClean, Megary, Quinn, Server, Schoch, Steelling, Thompson, Walsh, Wister, Wright.

Yeas 52. Nays 22.

So the First Section was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Offered the following amendment as a second section of the Bill:

SECTION 2. That the clerks appointed by virtue of this ordinance, shall not be removed by the present or any succeeding "Receiver of Taxes" because of their political opinions, nor unless charged with fraud and incompetency, and then, to be discharged by joint Resolution of Councils.

Which was not agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Wm. Courad

Moved to suspend the orders of the day, and proceed to the consideration of Bill No. 95, Appendix to Common Council.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the Committee on Surveys, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution relative to grading around the Pennsylvania Hospital in the Twenty-fourth Ward." (*See Appendix No. 104.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution to draw a warrant in favor of George Sturges." (*See Appendix No. 105.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Fish,

From the Committee on Markets, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance to regulate the sale of fruits and vegetables, approved November 17th, 1857." (*See Appendix No. 106.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Fourth Section was agreed to.

The Fifth Section was agreed to.

The Sixth Section was agreed to.

The Seventh Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

Mr. Fish

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time.

Mr. Cattell

Moved to postpone its further consideration until Thursday next.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Moyer and Dickinson.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bowker, Cattell, Dennis, Dickinson, Epler, Fisher, French, Gay, Gillingham, Haas, Kelley, Kerr, George B. Miller, Moyer, Thompson, Walsh, Wildey, Wister.

NAYS.—Baird, Bobb, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Osborn Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Gamble, Gheen, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McClean, Megary, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Shermer, Steelling, Uber, Wetherill, Wright, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 19. Nays 44.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The Bill was passed.

Mr. Fish

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

declaring Broad Street, from Brown to Callowhill Streets, a stand for market wagons.” (*See Appendix No. 107.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to strike out "backs," and insert "sides."

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Pugh

Moved to amend by inserting after the words "Brown Street," "and from the south side of Market to the north side of Shippen Streets," and to strike out "it is," and insert "are," and to strike out "a stand," and insert "stands."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out "Brown Street," and insert "Ridge Avenue."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to postpone the motion for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council informing Council that they had passed a Resolution to return to Common Council the Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize a loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the City,” with a request that they will again consider the same, the Bill having been passed one week before the time fixed by law.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to reconsider the Bill in conformity with the request of Select Council.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out the last clause of the first section declaring that the loan shall be free from taxes.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was read.

On the question, “Will Council agree to the Title?”

The yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Hacker and Wildey, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Cooper, Dickinson, Ellis, Eckfeldt, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter,

Quinn, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Mr. Mascher.

Yeas 62. Nays 1.

So the Title was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and on the question, "Shall the Bill pass?" the yeas and nays were ordered, in conformity with law,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Dickinson, Ellis, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kerssey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, McIlvain, Megary, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Dennis, Epler, Gamble, Kerr, Mascher, McCahen, Pugh, Thompson.

Yeas 56. Nays 8.

Two thirds of the members of Council not having voted for the bill, it was lost.

Mr. Heins

Presented the following Communication from the Chief Engineer :

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
September 16, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I desire to call your attention to the difficulty that exists in the operation of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, and request your attention to the same, for the purpose of allowing me the privilege of having some power over it when required.

The second section of an Ordinance, approved March 17, 1856, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the care and management of the Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph," is as follows: 'The said Superintendent shall, under the direction of the Mayor and the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, have charge of, and manage, for its appropriate use, the Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph,' &c.

You will therefore perceive from this, that the Telegraph is, to some extent, under my control, and although such is the fact, strange to say, all my orders are disregarded.

A fire took place this morning, on Callowhill Street, near Twenty-fourth Street, and although the alarm came from an operator at the office of the Spring Garden Gas Works, located in that vicinity, and was received at the Central Station, the operator at that place refused to have the State House Bell struck.

I hope, therefore, your honorable bodies will refer the matter to a Committee, for the purpose of investigating the same.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the Messenger be sent after absent members, to compel their attendance within the bar of the chamber.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council informing Council that they had concurred in the Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance, to regulate the sale of fruits and vegetables," approved, November 17, 1857, with the following amendments: Amend the Fourth Section in the 10th line, by striking out the words "of said Alderman," and inserting the words, "of the officer making the seizure."

Mr. Fish

Moved to concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to create a loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the City." (*See Appendix, No. 70.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk informed Council that the Bill had been published in conformity with law.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was read.

On the question, "Will Council agree to the Title?"

The yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Hacker and Moyer, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Epler, Kerr, Mascher.

Yeas, 62. Nays, 3.

So the Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and on the question, "Shall the Bill pass?" the yeas and nays were ordered in conformity with law, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooley, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson,

Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Savage, Server, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Kerr, Mascher.

Yeas, 63. Nays, 2.

So the Bill passed.

A Message from Select Council was received, informing Council that they had concurred in the Resolution entitled, "Resolution relative to wages of laborers on the Public Highways," with the following amendment, to wit: Amend, by striking out all after the word "Resolved" and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the several departments of the City shall pay no more than the current prices and wages for mechanical work and labor, which shall be determined by the Committees having supervision of said Departments."

Mr. Wildey

Moved to concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Walsh

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Highways be, and they are hereby authorized to grade Catharine Street, from Seventeenth to Twentieth Streets, preparatory to paving the same.

Also,

The following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Committee on Highways be, and they are hereby instructed to have Christian Street, from Irish Tract Lane to Gray's Ferry Road, opened.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to authorize satisfaction to be entered upon certain official bonds."

Mr. Kelley

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by adding at the end thereof, the following:

"And also that the Solicitor be, and he is hereby directed to enter satisfaction on the Bond of Thomas E. Gaskill, late Collector of Revenue of the Tobacco Warehouse."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had concurred in "An Ordinance to authorize the Commissioner of Markets to lease Dock Street Wharf to the Pennsylvania Railroad Co."

Also, in an Ordinance to make an appropriation to defray expenses in the removing of certain telegraph boxes.

Also, in an Ordinance offering a reward of \$500, for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer or murderers of John E. Clark.

Also, in an Ordinance to authorize the Post Office Department of the U. S., to attach metallic letter boxes to the lamp posts of the City of Philadelphia.

Also, in an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts, to pay taxes, and make a survey of the Boudinot Lands, and expenses.

Also, in the "Resolution to authorize the Chief Commissioner of Highways to cancel certain contracts."

Also, in the "Resolution authorizing the cleaning of Spruce Street Dock on the Delaware."

Also, in the "Resolution to release the sureties of R. L. West."

Also, in the "Resolution to transfer an item in the appropriation to the City Commissioners."

Also, in the "Resolution admitting the Congress Fire Company into the Fire Department."

Also, in the "Resolution relative to the examination of certain warrants drawn upon the City Treasurer."

Also, in the "Resolution authorizing the repaving of certain streets with tramway, and for other purposes."

Also, in the "Resolution authorizing the paving of certain streets."

Also, in the "Resolution authorizing the repaving of Locust Street.

Also, in the "Resolution relative to payments into the City Treasury, by the Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor.

Also, in the "Resolution requesting the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works to inform Councils whether any further legislation is necessary to carry into effect the provisions of an Ordinance, entitled, 'An Ordinance for the further extension of the Philadelphia Gas Works.'"

Also, in the amendment of Common Council to the Resolution of Select Council, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the Second and Third Street Passenger Railway Company, to construct a branch road on Shackamaxon and Penn Streets."

With the following amendment: Amend, by adding at the end of Common Council amendment, as follows, to wit: "and provided further, that no Passenger Railway Company heretofore incorporated by an Act of Assembly, or which shall be hereafter incorporated, shall have the privilege of standing or stopping their cars upon Dock Street, between Second and Third, nor upon Third between Walnut and its intersections with Dock Street, except to receive and discharge passengers."

Also, in the "Resolution relative to grading around the Pennsylvania Hospital, in the Twenty-fourth Ward."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to draw a warrant in favor of George Sturges."

Also, in the "Resolution to enter satisfaction on a certain lien."

Also, in the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize a loan to construct certain culverts."

"Also, that they had passed a Resolution entitled, "Resolution instructing the Committee on Poor to investigate the circumstances attending the contract with John Jones, by the Guardians of the Poor."

Also, a "Résolution to lay water pipes in Barker and other streets."

Also, a "Resolution requiring the City Solicitor to compel the Frankford and Southwark Passenger Railway Company, to file a statement of the cost of their road."

Also, a "Resolution instructing the Committee on Railroads to report a Supplement to the Ordinance, regulating Passenger Railroad Companies."

Also, a "Resolution relative to the grave of BENJAMIN FRANKLIN."

Also, a "Resolution requesting the Mayor to enforce

the Ordinance against emptying coal from carts on the footways."

Also, a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance providing for the removal of the City Hospital building upon Coates Street, and the sale of the materials contained in the same."

Also, a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Health for the expenses of that Department for the year 1858."

Also, a Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance reorganizing the Department for supplying the City with water, approved Oct. 2, 1854."

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill from Select Council, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company, to lay the rails of their road over Market Street Bridge." (*See Appendix No. 72.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Bill having been read a second time,

Mr. Riley

Moved to amend by striking out so much thereof, as relates to the payment of toll for crossing Market Street Bridge.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend, by adding at the end of the Section the following :

"And provided also, that no car of said company shall cross the Bridge on the Sabbath day, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each car so passing, and this proviso shall apply to all other Passenger Railway Companies in this city."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Savage

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Riley

Moved to amend, by inserting at the end of the second proviso, the following: "that an annual tax of twenty dollars on every other Passenger Railway car shall be levied and collected for the use of the City."

Mr. Gordon

Moved to recommit the Bill, with the pending amendment, to the Committee on Railroads.

Which was not agreed to.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

Mr. Riley

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, September 23, 1858.

Council met.

Members present:

Messrs. Andress,

Brenan,

Bobb,

Brown,

Bullock,

Case,

Cattell,

Comly,

Conrad, William,

Cooper,

Day,

Dennis,

Doerr,

Dickinson,

Eckfeldt,

Enyard,

Epler,

Fish,

Fisher,

French,

Gamble,

Gay,

Gheen,

Gillingham,

Gordon,

Haas,

Hacker,

Handy,

Harbert,

Messrs. Harmer,

Heins,

Hodgdon,

Holmes,

House,

Hutchinson,

Jones,

Kelley,

Kelton,

Kerr,

Ketcham,

Krider,

Luther,

Manderfield,

Manuel,

Mascher,

McBride,

M'Cahen,

McClean,

McDonough,

McIlvain,

Megary,

Miller, Geo. B.,

Miller, Hiram,

Morris,

Moyer,

Nippes,

Potter,

Pugh,

Messrs. Quinn,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Schoch,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,

Messrs. Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wilkey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

Mr. Server

Presented a Petition for a lamp, at the corner of Nineteenth and Venango Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Petition from Abel Jeans, asking to furnish the southern districts with gravel.

Also,

A Petition for the paving and curbing of Shippen Street, between Grays Ferry Road and Sutherland Avenue.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Megary

Presented a Petition to allow farmers to occupy the streets near Penn Square.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition for the paving of Simes Street in the Ninth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Mascher

Presented a Bill of James Clifton, for services as Return Judge.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also,

A Petition for the removal of the sixth precinct house of the Eleventh Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Also,

A Petition for the removal of the enclosures around the wing stalls of the Girard Avenue Market.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. H. Miller

Presented a Petition for grading and paving Fairview Street, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets.

Also,

A Petition from citizens in the vicinity of Fairmount, to be relieved from an overflow of water.

Which were referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Gillingham

Presented a Petition for the removal of the first precinct house in the Sixteenth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Wagner

Presented a Protest against the paving of German-town Road, from Sixth to Eighth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Uber

Presented a Petition for the opening of Twenty-seventh Street, from Columbia Avenue to Butler Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition for lamps on East Washington Lane.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Smedley

Presented two Petitions for the repeal of an Ordinance to prevent the sale of Butchers' meat, &c., approved April 28, 1858.

Which were referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Gheen

Presented a Petition for the grading of Market Street and Lancaster Pike in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Mr. Harbert

Presented a Petition for repaving Northrop Street with tramway.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Remonstrance against the paving of Germantown Road between Seventh and Eighth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Petition for grading Fisher Street, between Sixth and Seventh Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition for water pipe on Amber Street, from Cumberland Street to Frankford Road.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

The President

Submitted the following Communication from the City Controller:

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 23, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—By a joint resolution, approved June 25, 1858, the Chief Engineer of the Water Works was authorized to draw warrants as follows:

From Items 23, 25 & 26, in favor of Wm. King,	\$132 29
Item 27, in favor of Collins & Robb,	139 41
“ 27, “ “ Hoff & Fontaine,	31 25
“ 30, “ “ Henry Kless,	16 10
“ 30, “ “ Thomas Mercer,	257 00
“ 33, “ “ F. J. Borie,	39 00
“ 33, “ “ Thomas E. Cahill,	53 90
“ 33, “ “ E. J. Etting & Bro.,	67 96
“ 33, “ “ Keyser & Shively,	98 52
“ 33, “ “ Samuel Megarge,	10 75
“ 33, “ “ James W. Packer,	30 94
“ 33, “ “ Richard Trinick,	66 31
“ 33, “ “ Wood & Bro.,	21 00

Since the passage and approval of this Resolution, to wit: On the 9th of Sept., his Honor, the Mayor, approved an Ordinance, “To make an appropriation to the Department for supplying the city with water,” appropriating seventeen thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and thirteen cents, (\$17,557 13,) to certain items, and “the further sum of nine thousand eight hundred and sixty-four dollars and fifty-two cents, (\$9,864 52,) to certain items.

The major part of this further appropriation is to items named in a former clause of the Bill, and this Department is in doubt as to the meaning of the Ordinance, whether it was the intention of Councils to appropriate the whole amount of twenty-seven thousand four hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixty-five cents, (\$27,421 65,) or only the amount (\$17,557 13) named in the former clause of the bill; besides this, the Chief Engineer of the Water Works admits that the items stated above, under the Resolution of June 25, are included in the last clause of the Bill of the 9th of September; but nothing is said in the Bill of the repeal of the resolution of June 25, and as this Department is to follow the Resolutions and Ordinances of Councils, rather than the statements of the Heads of the Departments, the door is opened to a larger expenditure than might be intended by Councils.

There is also this objection to the system opened by this Ordinance of September 9, that it makes ambiguity and needless intricacy in this Department, by requiring two accounts to be opened with certain items of the same appropriation, when if the bills are just and correct, they might just as well be charged to one, and the same account in the same item. Again, by a Resolution approved Sept. 14, 1858, "the Chief Engineer of the Water Works is hereby authorized to draw on Item No. 35 of an appropriation made to that Department, approved January 25, 1858, to an amount not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars to pay for labor and materials contracted for the month of August, and which may be contracted for in September, October, and November;" by reference to the original appropriation of January 25, 1858, a proviso to item 35 limits the expenditure to not more than four hundred dollars in any one month; and the question now is with this Department, "Does this Resolution of September 14th repeal the proviso recited above, and allow the Department of Water to draw seven hundred and seventy-five dollars, or an unlimited amount per month? or does it intend to reduce the drafts of the Water Department to only three hundred and seventy-five dollars per month?" If this last is the intention of Councils, the Resolution does not say so, or limit the amount of the fifteen hundred dollars to be

expended in any given time; and hence, if this Department were to act under the naked resolution of September 14, the whole fifteen hundred dollars might be drawn during the current month.

It is therefore most respectfully asked of your body that these Ordinances and Resolutions may be interpreted, and if the Resolution of June 25th is repealed, because of its items being included in the Ordinance of September 9, let the Resolution be formally repealed. It is most respectfully suggested that much trouble and confusion might be saved in these matters, if the Committees framing Ordinances and Resolutions to appropriate money, would confer with this Department, as well as with the head of the Department for which the appropriation is intended to be made.

Yours, very respectfully,

GEORGE W. HUFTY,

City Controller.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

The President

Submitted a Communication from the City Solicitor in reply to a Resolution from Select Council instructing him to compel the Frankford and Southwark Passenger Railway Company to file an account of the cost of their road.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Also,

The following Communication :

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—I am directed by the Hope Hose Company to inform you, that, in consequence of the recent al-

teration to our house for the accommodation of our Steam Fire Engine, it will not be possible to use it as the First Precinct House of the Fifth Ward, at the coming election. Therefore, we respectfully beg of your honorable body to remove the Precinct to some other locality.

With the highest respect,

I remain yours,

JACOB MAXWELL, JR.,

Sec. Hope Hose Co.

Accompanied by a Petition for removing the Precinct House to the N. W. Corner of Front and Union Streets.

Which were referred to the members of this Council from the Fifth Ward.

Also,

The following Communication from the Prothonotary of the District Court :

PROTHONOTARY OF DISTRICT COURT'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, September 23, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The extreme necessity of the case compels me again to appeal to your honorable body to provide such accommodations for the Office of the Prothonotary of the District Court as will enable business to be transacted with some degree of satisfaction to the Bar and the public. As the custodian of the accumulating dockets and papers, I think they should be properly cared for, and would respectfully suggest that the extension of the office some thirty feet back would relieve for years to come the pressing necessities, at a very moderate expense to the City.

Hoping this application may receive the attention that it demands,

I remain,

Yours respectfully,

J. P. McFADDEN,

Prothonotary of the District Court.

Which was referred to the Committee on City Property.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report with sundry Resolutions annexed, entitled, 1. "Resolution explaining an Ordinance relative to an appropriation for the repair of Girard Avenue Bridge."

2. "Resolution authorizing the paving of Twenty-fifth and other Streets."

3. "Resolution authorizing the paving of Twentieth and other Streets."

Also,

A Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City." (*See Appendix No. 108.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Third Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Messrs. Mascher and Potter

Moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution having been reconsidered,

It was adopted.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill, accompanying the Report.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hacker,

From the Committee on Finance, presented a Report, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Guardians of the Poor for the expenses of that Department, for the balance of the year 1858.” (*See Appendix No. 109.*)

The request of the Committee was granted.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, “Resolution suspending the Franklin Hose Company.”

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to strike out the words “one month,” and insert, in lieu thereof, the words “one year.”

Mr. Potter

Moved to amend the amendment, by striking out the amendment and all after the word “Company” in the Resolution, and inserting the words, “be stricken from the list of Companies of the Fire Department.”

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the pending amendments, together with the Resolution, for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Brenan and Heins.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Case, Cattell, Comly, William Conrad, Doerr, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gordon, Haas, Jones, Kelton, Krider, Luther, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, Hiram Miller, Nippes, Potter, Rubieam, Savage, Server, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wetherill, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Address, Brenan, Brown, Bullock, Cooper, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Epler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Ketcham, Manuel, McClean, McDonough, Megary, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Schoch, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 32. Nays 32.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to strike out "one year," in the amendment, and insert "two years."

Mr. Pugh

Moved to recommit the Report to the Committee, with instructions to report the facts of the case.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution to suspend the Moyamensing Hose Company." (*See Appendix No. 110.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Mr. Megary

Moved to recommit the Resolution.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Kelton

Moved to amend the Resolution by striking out the words "four months," and inserting "one year."

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend the amendment by striking out the whole thereof, and all of the Resolution after the word "Company," and inserting the words, "be stricken from the Roll of Companies of the Fire Department."

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Brenan and McClean.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Case, Cattell, William Conrad, Cooper, Doerr, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harmer, Hodgdon, House, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Mascher, George B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Nippes, Potter, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brenan, Brown, Dennis, Dickinson, Epler, Gillingham, Heins, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, McBride, McCahen, McClean, McDonough, Megary, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Schoch, Thompson, Uber, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 38. Nays 25.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On the Resolution as amended, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Dennis and Morris.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Case, Cattell, William Conrad, Cooper, Doerr, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble,

Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harmer, Hodgdon, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, Mascher, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Nippes, Potter, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brenan, Brown, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Epler, Gillingham, Heins, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, McBride, McCahen, McClean, McDonough, Megary, Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Schoch, Simon, Thompson, Über, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

• Yeas 36. Nays 28.

So the Resolution as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department be requested to enquire and report to this Council, at their next stated meeting, what fire company it was which made the attack on the Franklin Hose, on Wednesday evening, September 22, with such facts as they may be able to obtain in relation to that matter.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend, by striking out the words "Fire Company," and insert the word "persons."

The amendment was agreed to.

The Resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. McDonough

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be instructed to cancel the bonds of Patrick McDonough, late Supervisor of Fourth Ward, the Committee on Finance having first ascertained that his duties were faithfully performed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Messrs. Dennis and Pugh

Moved to reconsider the vote of last Thursday, upon the final passage of the Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to create a loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the City." (*See Appendix No. 70.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Yeas and Nays, on the final passage of the Bill, were ordered in conformity with law, and were as follows :

YEAS. — Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Brown, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Osborn Conrad, William Conrad, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Geo. B. Miller, Hiram Miller, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Schoch, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Kerr, McClean, Quinn.

Yeas, 63. Nays, 3.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to suspend the rules and proceed to the consideration of Bill from Select Council, of September 16, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

providing for the removal of the City Hospital building upon Coates Street, and the sale of the materials contained in the same.”

Which was agreed to.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Wildey

Moved to suspend the rules, and proceed to the consideration of the Resolution from Select Council of September 9th, requesting the Committee on Finance to report an Ordinance making an appropriation of \$8,916-90 for the payment of claims against the City, arising out of the construction of the Eleventh Police Station House in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill from Select Council of September 16th, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Board of Health for the expenses of that Department for the year 1858.”

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend by adding, “And also of the Bill returned to Councils by the Committee on Finance, entitled,

‘AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Board of Guardians of the Poor for the expenses of that Department for the balance of the year 1858.’ ”

The amendment was not agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the consideration of a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the West Philadelphia Railway Company to lay the rails of their road over the Market Street Bridge.”
(*See Appendix of Select Council, No. 70.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Title was read a second time and agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Potter

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill from Select Council, entitled, “A Supplement to an Ordinance organizing the Department for supplying the City with water.”

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by adding after the words “dwelling house,” the words “or other building,” and also to strike out the word “November,” and insert the word “December.”

The amendment was agreed to.

The Section as amended was agreed to.

The Second Section was read.

Mr. Wister

Moved to amend by adding after the words "house or houses," the words "or other building," and by striking out the word "first" after the word "thirty."

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Pugh

Offered the following amendment, to be added to the end of the Section:

"Provided, That the owners of such properties cannot show that the said property obtains water from other sources than the Water Department of the City of Philadelphia."

Pending this motion,

Mr. Kelly

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, with the pending amendment, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved that when Council adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday afternoon next at three o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Kelly and Pugh

Moved to reconsider the Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance to regulate the sale of Fruits and Vegetables, approved November 17th, 1857."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend, by striking out in the First Section the words "within the city limits whether," and "stores, streets, or elsewhere," and to insert in lieu of the last clause, the words "or market stands."

The amendment was agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved further to amend by striking out the whole of the Fourth Section.

Which was agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved further to amend by striking out from Section Fifth, the words "and the Alderman."

Which was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

The following messages were received from the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, September 23, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:*

GENTLEMEN:--The following Ordinance and Joint Resolution have been approved and signed, viz;

On the 22d inst., an Ordinance to authorize the Commissioner of Markets to lease Dock Street Wharf to the Pennsylvania Railroad Co.

On the 22d inst., a Resolution to enter satisfaction on a certain lien.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, September 23, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
Common Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I return without my approval, the accompanying bill, entitled, “An Ordinance to make an appropriation to defray expenses in the removing of certain Telegraph Boxes.”

The second section empowers the Superintendent of the Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph to draw warrants for the appropriation made by this Ordinance, which warrants shall be of such form, and have the requirements provided by an Ordinance, approved August 23, 1855, entitled, “An Ordinance to provide for the issue of certificates of City Loan, to pay road damages and to pay the contract price of the Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph.”

The Act of Consolidation and its several Supplements clearly contemplate the signing of all warrants upon the City Treasury, by the head of some one of the Municipal Departments.

The Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph is but auxiliary to the Police and Fire Departments, all warrants for the salaries of its officers, and other appropriations for its use, being drawn by the Mayor.

The Ordinance of August 23, 1855, by which is to be determined the form and requirements of the warrants to

be issued under the accompanying ordinance, does not make mention of warrants or in any manner relate thereto, but refers solely to the issue of certificates of debt by the City Treasurer.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Messrs. Moyer and Hacker

Moved to reconsider the Bill referred to in the foregoing message of his Honor, the Mayor.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to postpone its further consideration for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon,

From the Committee on Poor, presented a Report in relation to the Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor, with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 111.*)

The Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The President

Submitted the following Communication :

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—You are respectfully invited to be present at a trial of the Steam Fire Engine “Diligent,”

late "Young America," to be had on Saturday afternoon next, at 4 o'clock, in Seventh Street above Market.

Very respectfully,

V. HAROLD MYERS,

Sept. 23, 1858.

Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the invitation be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Common Council, that they had passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to restore the name of 'Franklin Place,' to so much of Hudson Street as formerly bore that name."

Also,

That they had concurred in the Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance entitled, 'An Ordinance prescribing the powers and duties of the Receiver of Taxes, approved July 27, 1854.'"

Mr. Mascher

Moved that Council do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

TUESDAY, September 28, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bullock,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Fish,
Fitler,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Holmes,
Hutchinson,
Jones,

Messrs. Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wildey,
Wister,

Trego, *President.*

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Guardians of the Poor for the expenses of that Department, for the balance of the year 1858." (*See Appendix No. 112.*)

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend by striking out the words "and the extravagant management of the previous administration."

Which was agreed to.

The Section, as amended, was agreed to.

The Second Section was read.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out "Items Nos. 87 and 88, relative to the salaries of out-door visitors, \$208.40, and the salaries of two additional visitors, \$167.00."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend by striking out in Item 1, for flour and corn meal, "\$5600," and inserting in its place, "\$3000."

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Handy

Moved to amend by striking out in Item 7, for butter and lard, "\$1200," and inserting in its place, "\$500.00."

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend by striking out in Item No. 2, for beef, mutton, bacon, and pork, "\$9500.00," and inserting in its place, "\$6000."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Handy

Moved to strike out in Items Nos. 30, 31, 32, and 33, the several sums of "\$150.00, \$200.00, \$300.00, and \$450.00," and inserting in lieu of each item, the sum of "\$100.00."

Mr. Wagner

Moved to amend the amendment by deducting from Item No. 30, \$50, and from each of Items 31, 32, 33, \$100.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the original motion, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Handy and Mascher.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Comly, Conrad, Osborn, Gay, Gillingham, Handy, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, Megary, Hiram Miller, Potter, Riley, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Geo. B. Miller, Mingle, Pugh, Savage, Shermer, Wagner, Wildey, Wister.

Yeas, 19. Nays, 34.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to add the following as a proviso, at the end of the section.

“ Provided that no part of the \$9,500, Item 2 for beef, mutton, &c., shall be paid on account of the contract with Mr. Jones, until said contract for the supply of the same by him, be fully investigated, and known to be fairly awarded.”

Mr. Mascher

Moved to postpone the pending amendment together with the further consideration of the Bill, until next Thursday.

Which was not agreed to.

The Second Section as amended, was read.

Messrs. Mascher and Gay

Moved to reconsider the last vote.

Which was not agreed to.

The Third Section was read,

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend, by inserting “No. 20” after the word “Item.”

Which was agreed to.

The Third Section as amended was agreed to.

The Fourth Section was read.

Mr. Handy

Moved to amend by adding the following Proviso :

Provided, That not more than a pro-rata portion, shall be purchased in any one month.

Which was not agreed to.

The Fourth Section was agreed to.

The Fifth Section was read and agreed to.

Messrs. Savage and Gordon

Moved to reconsider the First Section.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Brenan and Wister.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooper, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hutchinson, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller George B., Pugh, Riley, Savage, Shermer, Wildey, Wister.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Comly, Ellis, Gay, Handy, Holmes, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, Megary, Thompson, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 31. Nays 15.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Section being again under consideration,

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend the First Section by striking out the words, "Forty-nine thousand nine hundred and seventy dollars and forty cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "Forty-seven thousand five hundred and ninety-five dollars."

Which was agreed to.

The Title was read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by inserting the word "additional" before the word "appropriation."

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The question being, "Shall this Bill pass?" the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelley and Kerr.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Miller Hiram, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 45. Nays 0.

A quorum of members not having voted,

Mr. Bullock,

Moved a call of the house, when 47 gentlemen answered to their names.

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Megary, Miller George B., Miller Hiram, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

The question recurring on the final passage of the Bill, the yeas and nays were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller George B., Miller Hiram, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas, 45. Nays, 0.

Mr. Bullock,

Moved a call of the house, when 47 gentlemen answered to their names, as follows:

Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Megary, Miller George B., Miller Hiram, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

The question recurring upon the final passage of the Bill,

The yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Potter, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs Baird, Brenan, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fidler, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Megary, Miller Geo. B., Miller Hiram, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Savage, Server, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 46. Nays 0.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. Baird

Presented a Petition for the removal of the Fourth Precinct house of the Fifth Ward.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to refer it to the special committee, consisting of members of this Council from the Fifth Ward.

Mr. G. B. Miller

Moved to amend by referring it to the Committee on Law.

The amendment was not agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution instructing the Committee on Poor to investi-

gate the circumstances attending the contract with John Jones, by the Guardians of the Poor."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by inserting, "A Joint Special Committee of five from each Council," in lieu of "The Committee on Poor."

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

So Common Council Concurred.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, September 30, 1858.

Council met.

Members present :

Messrs. Address,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,

Messrs. Hacker,
Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,

Messrs. Riley,
Roats,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,

Messrs. Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,

Trego, *President.*

Mr. Krider

Presented a Petition from property owners on Jefferson Avenue, asking for the privilege of having a Boulevard on said Avenue similar to that on Broad Street above Girard Avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. George B. Miller

Presented an application from George H. Huddell, for a lease on Chestnut Street Wharf.

Which was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings.

Mr. Cooper

Presented a Petition from citizens of the Fourth Precinct in the Fifth Ward, asking to have the place of voting in said Division located at the corner of Front and Union Streets.

And moved to lay it on the Table for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Heins

Presented the following Communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
September 30, 1858. }

*To the Hon. the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing Ordinances, regulating the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I have suspended the Hope and Franklin Engine Companies, for rioting during an alarm of fire which prevailed on Thursday evening last, the 23d inst., and for endangering the lives of our citizens by running through the streets when there is no necessity for their so doing. I have also suspended the Niagara Hose Company, for inciting to riot by running their apparatus into that of the Southwark Engine Company, in Chestnut Street, during an alarm of fire which prevailed on Monday evening last, the 27th instant, about nine o'clock. I therefore submit the above named Companies for your consideration. As it appears there is a disposition on the part of some of the Companies to resist my authority, and break down the laws of the Department, by rioting and acting disorderly, it is my determination, with your co-operation, to put an end to it. And I would recommend to your honorable bodies the disbandment of the above Companies. In my judgment, it is the only course to pursue to make the Department a useful ornament to society. The services of these Companies can easily be dispensed with, as there will still be enough apparatus in their District for all necessary purposes.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Bobb

Presented a Petition for the grading of Christian Street from Gray's Ferry Road to Sutherland Avenue.

Also,

A Petition for the repaving of Richard Street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets in the Seventh Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Bedford Street, between Twentieth and Twenty-first Streets.

Mr. Brown

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Franklin Avenue above Ash Street.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition for water pipes on Front Street, from York to Cambria Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Remonstrance against paving Brown Street, between Cumberland and Huntingdon Streets.

Mr. Smedley

Presented a Petition for the opening of Rowand Street, from Frankford to Paul Street.

Mr. Cattell

Presented a Petition for repaving the Haverford Road from Fisher Avenue to the County line.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Hunter

Presented a Petition for a gas lamp at the corner of Gaul and Hewson Streets, and one in Wood Street between Gaul and Norris Streets.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for public lamps on Clinton Street in the Twentieth Ward.

Also,

A Petition for changing the lamp on the summit of the east side of Eighth Street above Poplar Street, to the west side of said street.

Which were referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Petition from John Snyder and others, asking that the damages for the opening of Broad Street may be paid.

Also,

A Petition for a flag crossing from the N. E. Corner of Coates and Ridge Avenue, to the S. E. Corner of Penn Street and Ridge Avenue.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition for opening in Bridgewater Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Hacker

Presented the following Communication from the City Controller:

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 23, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Since assuming the duties of City Controller, and becoming familiar with the duties of the office, the following ideas have suggested themselves to me, and

are submitted for the consideration and action of your body.

1st. an Ordinance should be passed requiring each and every Department of the City Government to make, to the Controller, a detailed report of every matter placed in the hands of the City Solicitor for collection.

2nd. An Ordinance should be passed to further define the duties of the City Solicitor, requiring him to keep in his department a docket of all cases in his hands, showing from what Department the claim issued, against whom action is brought, the amount of said claim, and how, or for what purposes it is made; and in cases where suit is brought against the city, his dockets should show upon what claim the suit is founded; if brought upon warrants, it should show the Department from which said warrant or warrants issued, the number, date, and amount of each warrant, and to whom issued; suits brought for or against the city should be correctly numbered upon his docket, and when correctly made up a duplicate of the same should be put in the office of the Controller, after which time the Solicitor should be required to make a weekly report in detail to the Controller showing all subsequent cases put in his hands, the Department from whence they issue, the nature and amount of the claim, and what number it bears upon the docket in his office; when claims are collected by the said Solicitor and paid into the City Treasurer, he, the Solicitor, should be required to make a report to the Controller's Department of the amount of money paid into the Treasurer, showing from what claim, of what department, and the docket number of said claim, from which said money has been received, how much received on account of claim, or if in full, how much for costs, and how much for interest.

The necessity of such an ordinance as this, must be apparent to every member of Councils, when the fact is stated that this department holds no check upon the Solicitor's office, and knows nothing of any matter placed in his hands except such as may be gathered from the meagre report of what is handed to the City Treasurer; for instance, the amount appropriated to the Board of Health for removing nuisances, has real estate security for its reim-

bursments to the City Treasury, but this office has no means of knowing if the amount is or is not collected, or whether it is paid by the Health Officer or the Solicitor, and the same thing might be instanced of other Departments, say of Water and of Taxes.

3rd. In order that the Controller's Department may be a proper check upon the Aldermen of the City, an ordinance should be passed requiring the Aldermen to file, within fifteen days, in the Controller's Department a certified copy of their certificates of election, stating at the same time where their offices are located, and in case of any change in their localities, the same shall be duly notified to the City Controller within fifteen days of such change; they should also be required to report at least once a week whether or not they have collected any fines, costs, or penalties payable to the treasury of the city, and on the payment of the same to the City Treasurer, they should report it to this Department in detail.

This Ordinance is rendered necessary by the fact that the Controller has no party to whom he can look for a correct list of the aldermen, where they are located, and when their commissions expire; hence he cannot watch the income of the City from this Department so sedulously as the law creating his Department seems to require.

4th. In this Department no record is made of the allowances made by the City Commissioners from the tax duplicate of any given year, and hence there is a liability of a mistake being made in the provision for the year by a neglect to take into account and deducting from the amount of the apparent city revenue, the allowances made, and to be deducted from the tax duplicate, it seems necessary therefore to make the books of the Controller's Department agree with the Receiver of Taxes and the tax duplicate, as corrected by the deduction of allowances. That an Ordinance be passed requiring the City Commissioners to keep a record of all allowances made upon the taxes as returned; stating the amount assessed, the amount of the allowance, the locality of the property and the name of the owner or reputed owner; and to file a copy of the same

in this department within ten days after the expiration of the time fixed by law in which said allowances may be made.

5th. This Department finds very great difficulty to keep its account of "Interest paid on City Loan" correctly, because of the manner in which these payments are reported by the City Treasurer to this Department, who keeps his books, in accordance with his reports, merging interest paid on loans of all periods into the current year; and hence he nor this Department can tell what amount of interest due at any given time has been paid, and how much yet remains to be paid; for instance, by reference to the Controller's Report in the "outstanding warrants of 1856,"

He reports as claims for interest due and un-	
paid to July 1, 1856, the amount of	\$51,119 49
The City Treasurer's books show the amount	11,877 46

Making a discrepancy between the Dep'tmts, \$39,242 03

This Department has no way of knowing what amount of interest on City Loan is paid, but by the weekly report of the Treasurer, who puts upon his return thus, "Interest due on City Loans in 1858," yet the amount reported may contain interest due in 1854, '55, '56 and '57, but unclaimed until the date of the entry, hence there is no way of telling what amount of interest is unpaid due January 1, 1855, July 1, '55, January 1, '56, or July 1, '56, and so on up to July 1, 1858; no one can tell what amount of the interest due July 1, 1858 has been paid and what remains to be paid; it is necessary in the opinion of this Department that an account should be kept with each period of interest, and with each period of the City debt as it matures, so that at a glance the amount paid, and the balance to be paid, of interest or loan due at any given time, may be easily seen. It is therefore suggested, that an ordinance be passed prescribing the manner in which these accounts shall be kept from and after January 1, 1859.

6th. Difficulties and intricacies occur, where any agent of the City is allowed to pay himself for any claims he may have against the city out of any moneys he may have collected for, and on account of the city; therefore it is sug-

gested, that an ordinance be made requiring the Sheriff of the county of Philadelphia, to pay to the City Treasurer all money collected by him on account of the City or coming into his hands for city purposes, other than that received upon judgments obtained by the City Solicitor for the use of the City, and that he make to this Department a report of said deposits with the City Treasurer, showing the sources from whence said money has been received; the Ordinance should forbid the City Commissioners to issue a warrant in favor of the Sheriff until said deposits have been made, then the warrant issued will tally with the bills of the Sheriff and be free from ambiguity of every kind.

7th. There should be an Ordinance passed requiring every Department issuing a warrant in part payment of a contract, or for labor and materials furnished to a contract, to fill up said warrant in the name of the party to the contract, and not in the name of the parties furnishing any thing to the contractor.

The necessity for such an Ordinance is this, a Department issues warrants to parties furnishing materials or labor on any given contract, these separate bills are audited under the item to which the materials or labor may severally belong, and thus, while a portion of the amount of the contract price being paid, the bill for the whole amount of the contract may come in and pass through this Department, and we know nothing of the fact, that bills which we had audited and which had been paid, were to be deducted from the sum of the contract. An Ordinance like this is loudly called for, and would save the City much of its expenditure and this Department a vast amount of time and trouble.

8th. By law, the Controller's Department seems to be intended as a check upon every other Department. Hence it is but a small part of the duty of this Department to see that appropriations are not overdrawn. This Department should, at any and all times, be able to show the true condition of all the City interests. Of all trusts committed to her management, showing how and when said trusts have been increased or diminished. The books of

the Controller should be the record of the City, and kept against every Department, should show what property the City holds, whether stocks, mortgages, ground rents, buildings, or building lots, and the appraised value at some given time; what expense is incurred on any property, by creating permanent improvements; how mortgages have been extinguished, and when; when and for what consideration any part of her property passed out of her hands; in short, all needful information which any careful man would require in his private business. No information of this kind can now be obtained from the books of this Department, because they have not been so kept. It is therefore most respectfully suggested that your body take some action in these premises, and afford such facilities to this Department as will enable it to put upon the books of the City, the fullest information in relation to all its property and interests.

9th. It is too much the custom of every Department, with every change of its head or subordinates, to change the books and manner and form of keeping them; thus much stationery is wasted, and the records of the Departments are strewn over many very unnecessary books. Such a state of things should be guarded against in every way, and hence it is suggested that an Ordinance be passed requiring the head of each Department, under a sufficient penalty for non-performance, to have his books and accounts duly closed and balanced upon the expiration of his term of office; and shall hand to his successor a balance sheet of his books, a statement including the names of parties, the amount, and for what purpose, of all claims outstanding against his Department and unsettled, and the same Ordinance should require the new incumbent to continue his entries in the same books until they are duly filled.

These crude and imperfect suggestions are made with all due respect to your body, and it seems to me contain matters which it would be well for the interests of the City that your body should take some immediate action upon.

Very respectfully submitted by, yours, &c.,

GEORGE W. HUFTY,

City Controller.

Mr. Hacker

Moved that the Communication be laid on the table.

Which was agreed to.

The following message was received from the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, September 30, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
Common Council of the City of Philadelphia :*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 27th inst., A Supplement to an Ordinance, entitled, "An Ordinance prescribing the powers and duties of the Receiver of Taxes," approved July 27, 1854."

On the 29th inst., A Resolution relative to grading around the Pennsylvania Hospital, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

On the 29th inst., A Resolution to draw a warrant in favor of George Sturges.

On the 30th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay the expenses of obtaining satisfaction on two certain mortgages against the estate known as the Manayunk Poor House.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Jones,

From the Committee on Police, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution to transfer certain items of appropriation to the Department of Police." (*See Appendix, No. 113.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Also,

A further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation for repairs to Station Houses.”
(*See Appendix No. 114.*)

And moved that it be laid on the table and printed, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

Which was agreed to.

The same gentleman

Presented sundry Bills against the several Station Houses, &c., which had been referred to the Committee on Police, and moved to refer them to the Committee on Claims.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, to pay certain road damages.”

Together with four Resolutions, entitled as follows :

1. “Resolution to transfer an item of appropriation to the Department of Highways.”

2. “Resolution to grade Bridge Street.”

3. “Resolution authorizing the paving of Franklin and other streets.”

4. “Resolution authorizing the paving of Shippen Street.” (*See Appendix, No. 115.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Third Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Fourth Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the Committee on Surveys, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain, on the line of Seventh Street, southwardly from Race Street, in the Tenth Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 116.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was read.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to amend by adding after the words “the cost thereof,” the words, “not exceeding seventy-five cents per lineal foot on either side of said street.”

Which was agreed to.

The Section, as amended, was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gay

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the same Committee, presented a further Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Wood Street, westwardly from Queen Street, in the Eighteenth Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 117.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the same Committee, presented a further Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Randolph Street, northwardly from Parrish Street, in the Twelfth Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 118.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Wister

Presented a bill of expenses for the contested election case of the Twenty-third Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Gordon

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to pay certain bills contracted by the Guardians of the Poor in excess of the annual appropriation, and contracted for, principally, previous to July, 1858.” (*See Appendix No. 119.*)

And moved to lay it on the table.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Board of Controllers of the Public Schools of the First School District of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining Public Night Drawing Schools.”

Which was ordered to be laid on the table and printed.

Mr. Megary

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Highway Department be directed to have Prime Street, from Swanson Street to the River Delaware, paved and curbed according to law.

And moved to refer the same to the Committee on Highways.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gamble

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That Common Council invite Select Council to meet them in convention, at 5 o'clock on Thursday next, for the purpose of electing a Commissioner of Markets and a Superintendent of Trusts.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Resolution for the present, and to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 1, on Select Council File, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to merge the Department of Market Houses into the Department of City Property, and giving the Department of City Property one clerk."

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Cattell

Offered the following

Resolution:

Whereas, There is at the present time, within the Alms House of the City of Philadelphia, a large number of able-bodied men, whose support is a tax upon the citizens; and whereas, the present grievous taxation as well as the financial condition of the City, make it imperative upon us to adopt a system of retrenchment and reform wherever the same can be done; while at the same time the public improvements should be continued, and the

grounds now owned and intended for public parks, laid out in walks and made available for general use: Therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Guardians of the Poor (under the supervision and direction of the Commissioners of Highways) be, and they are hereby authorized to employ such number of the present inmates of the Blockley Alms House as are able to do the necessary work required in opening, laying out, and grading Sedgely and Fairmount Parks.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Bowker

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Gas be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the best means of providing the citizens of the Twenty-first Ward with gas, at the same price paid by those furnished directly from the City Works.

And moved to refer the same to the Committee on Gas Works.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Savage

Offered the following

Resolution:

To appoint a Committee to confer with the Engineer of the Gas Works.

Whereas, There is reason to believe that there is a yearly loss at the City Gas Works, of some ten or fifteen thousand dollars, caused by the liquor from the retorts being allowed to run off into the Schuylkill, instead of being used in the manufacture of "Sulphate of Ammonia."

And, *Whereas*, it is believed that this liquor could be sold to parties who could use it in the above manufacture, or

that, at a small outlay, the proper apparatus could be put up at the works for the same purpose. Be it therefore

Resolved, That a Committee of three from each chamber be appointed, to confer with Mr. Cresson, and the Trustees of the City Gas Works, as to the best disposition that can be made of the liquor from the retorts, and report to Councils as early as practicable.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Harbert

Moved to refer it to the Committee on Gas Works.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

The President appointed Messrs. Savage, Wetherill, and Kerr, the Committee under the Resolution.

Mr. Potter

Offered the following

Resolution:

To inquire into the expediency of creating a paid Fire Department.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that a Joint Special Committee of Five from each Chamber, be appointed to inquire into the expediency of disbanding the existing Fire Department, and substituting a paid Fire Department in its place.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The President

Appointed Messrs. Potter, Mascher, Heins, Gordon, and Kelley, the Committee under the Resolution.

Mr. Gordon

Offered the following

Resolution:

Whereas, By an Ordinance approved July 3, 1854, the Presidents of each Council are authorized to "divide the members of their respective Councils into sub-Committees," for the purpose of visiting monthly the Girard College. And,

Whereas, The Presidents of these Councils, as well as the Councils of 1856 and 1857, have failed to appoint such Committees. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That immediately on the passage of this Resolution by Common Council, the President of this Council shall appoint Committees to consist of eleven members for each of the months of October, November, December, January, February, March, April, and thirteen in the month of May; to visit the Girard College monthly. Said Committees to co-operate as Joint Visiting Committees with similar Committees of the Select Council, if such should be appointed.

Provided, Nevertheless, that, if the Select Council shall fail to elect, the Committees appointed by Common Council shall proceed with their duties according to the Ordinance and previous custom.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Bowker

Read in his place, and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to suppress nuisances." (*See Appendix No. 120.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to amend the First Section by striking out the words "late Borough of Manayunk, in the Twenty-first Ward," and inserting in lieu thereof, "City of Philadelphia."

The amendment was agreed to.

The First Section, as amended, was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to,

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Manuel

Offered the following

Resolution :

To notify the property owners on Franklin Street to pave their footways.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the owners of properties on Franklin Street, between Master and Thompson Streets, Twentieth Ward, be notified by the Department of Highways to set the curb, grade and pave the sidewalks opposite their respective properties.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted

Mr. Walsh

Offered the following

Resolution :

Inflicting Penalties on the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the

City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be fined in the sum of Twenty-five Dollars for each and every time he may neglect or refuse to report to Councils the violation of any of the laws or ordinances relating to the Fire Department, by any Fire Company thereof; the said fine to be deducted from his salary as it becomes due.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Fish

Offered the following

Resolution

Removing the Commissioner of Markets from his office.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Commissioner of Markets be dismissed from the office of the Department of Market Houses.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to amend, by prefixing the following Preamble:

Whereas, The present Commissioner of Markets has habitually neglected his duties. Therefore—

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Dennis

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Joint Special Committee appointed on the 8th day of July, 1858, to "inquire into the reasons or causes of the loss of Eight Thousand Dollars to the City in the payment of the Vandyke Claim," be requested to make their report at the next regular meeting of Councils.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Wetherill

Offered the following Preamble and

Resolution

Whereas, the extending of piers or any other mode of increasing the extent of the Island opposite the City may affect the navigation of the river Delaware, and thereby damage the commerce of the City, therefore, *Resolved* that the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, request the Port Wardens to examine the subject, and if found to be of a character likely to affect the navigation of the Delaware, to take such measures as they may deem necessary to prevent the same.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

Mr. Hacker

Offered the following

Resolution:

Authorising the Mayor to advertise for proposals for a certain Loan.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia be authorized and directed to publish in three daily papers of the City of Philadelphia, and in two in the City of New York, that, proposals endorsed "Proposals for loan of the City of Philadelphia," will be received until the fifteenth day of October A D., 1858, at 12 o'clock M; for loaning to the City of Philadelphia the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars, as authorized by an Ordinance approved, (the date blank to filled when the Ordinance referred to, is signed by the Mayor,) with interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, and free from taxation; said interest payable half yearly on the first day of January and the first day of July, for which certificates of one hundred dollars each, or in larger amounts shall be issued, redeemable in thirty years from the date thereof; the proposals to be for any part of said loan; the highest offer will be accepted; the City reserving the right to accept or decline the whole or any part thereof; the amount to be paid on the twentieth of October; the interest to commence from that date. The proposals to be opened by the Mayor in presence of the City Treasurer and the Committee on Finance, the premium received above par to be appropriated to the Sinking Fund for the payment of loans maturing.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Riley

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Department of Surveys be, and they are hereby authorized and directed, to have completed

the Survey and Regulation of all that portion of the late Township of Kingsessing, laying south-eastward of the Darby Plank Road, and northward of the Island Road; also the unsurveyed portion of the late Township of Blockley south of Market Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had passed a Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Controllers of Public Schools, for the repair of certain school-houses and for other purposes, and ask concurrence.

Also, a Resolution entitled, Resolution to change the places of holding the elections in the Fourth Division of the Fifth Ward, and the Third Division of the Twenty-first Ward.

Also, a Resolution to lay water pipe on Twenty-first and other streets.

Also, a Resolution explanatory of a Resolution therein named.

Also, a Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Department to pay certain claims.

Also, a Resolution instructing the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to enquire whether the number of Companies in the Fire Department may not be diminished with advantage to the City.

Also, a Resolution asking the discharge of the Committee from the further consideration of the petitions of citizens, asking the change of sundry places of holding elections in different wards.

Also, informing that they had concurred in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize a loan to pay claims against and to defray expenses of the city."

Also, in "an Ordinance to provide for the application of the legacy of Elliot Cresson, Esq., to the City of Philadelphia.

With the following amendments, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend by striking out *all* after the enacting clause, and inserting the following, to wit:

That the principal of said fund shall be invested and kept invested by the Superintendent of Trusts, and that such investments shall be made in six per cent loans of the City of Philadelphia.

SEC. 2. That the income of said Trusts shall be paid over by the Superintendent of Trusts to the Commissioner of City Property; and he is hereby directed and required to expend the same, according to the direction of the Testator, and under the supervision of the Committee of City Property.

SEC. 3. Warrants for the payment of moneys expended under authority of this Ordinance, shall be drawn in the usual form, and in accordance with existing Ordinances.

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance to regulate the sale of fruits and vegetables, approved November 17th, 1857."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a branch culvert or drain on the line of Seventh Street, southwardly from Race Street, in the Tenth Ward."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Wood Street, westwardly from Queen Street, in the Eighth Ward."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Randolph Street, northward from Parrish Street, in the Twelfth Ward."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, to pay certain road damages."

Also, in the Resolution to meet Common Council in Convention on Thursday next, to elect a Commissioner of Market Houses, and a Superintendent of Trusts.

Also, in the amendment of Common Council to the Resolution of Select Council, entitled, "Resolution to authorize satisfaction to be entered upon certain official bonds."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the Mayor to advertise for proposals for a certain loan."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to transfer an item of appropriation to the Department of Highways."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to grade Bridge Street."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the paving of Franklin and other streets."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the paving of Shippen Street."

Also, in the Resolution, designating the person to whom the honour belongs of having originated the project of laying a telegraphic cable across the Atlantic.

With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend the Resolution in the third line, by adding after the word "project," the words, "of laying a telegraph across the Atlantic."

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the consideration of the unfinished business from Select Council, now on the President's desk.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to proceed to the consideration of the Bill returned by the Mayor, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to defray expenses in removing certain Telegraph Boxes."

Which was agreed to.

The question being, "Shall the Bill pass notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor?"

The yeas and nays were ordered in conformity with law.

And were as follows:

NAYS.—Messrs. Address, Baird, Brennan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Conrad Osborn, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, Megary, Miller George B., Morris, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 0. Nays 66.

So the Bill was not agreed to.

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the consideration of a Resolution entitled, "Resolution to lay water pipes in Baker and other streets." (*See Appendix to Select Council No. 147.*)

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Potter

Moved to strike out the words "Nineteenth Street," and insert "Twentieth Street," where it first occurs, also, to strike out the words "Twenty-second Street from Spring Garden to Callowhill, Fifteenth Ward.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to insert, after the words "Ann Street," the words "three hundred feet westwardly," and to strike out the word "to" after the word "Emerald."

Mr. Kelley

Moved to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Water Works.

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to proceed to the consideration of a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Companies composing the Fire Department."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to non-concur in all the amendments of Select Council.

Mr. Baird

Called for a division of the question.

Which was granted.

The question recurring, Will Council concur in the first amendment, striking out of the 28th line of the First Section, the words, "four hundred," and inserting "three hundred and seventy-five?"

It was non-concurred in.

On the question, Will Council concur in the second amendment, by inserting after the words "Hope Engine," the words, "Hope Hose," and after the "Philadelphia Engine," the words, "Philadelphia Hose?"

It was non-concurred in.

On the question, Will Council concur in the third amendment, striking out "two hundred and fifty dollars" to the Empire and Protection Hook and Ladder Companies, and inserting "three hundred and seventy-five dollars?"

It was non-concurred in.

Mr. Wister

Moved to proceed to the consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution to change the place of holding the elections in the Fourth Division of the Fifth Ward, and the Third Division of the Twenty-first Ward.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read.

Mr. Wister

Moved to amend, by striking out the words, "James Linus, No. 1268 Spruce Street," and inserting "Frederick Guthoff, at the north-west Corner of Front and Union Streets."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wister

Moved to strike out all after the words "Union Street," being so much as relates to the places of holding elections in the Twenty-first Ward.

Mr. Wister

Moved to prefix as a preamble, the following words, "Whereas, the Hope Hose Company have refused to allow their house to be used for holding elections hereafter, therefore—"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to amend the Title by striking out all after the words "Fifth Ward."

The Title as amended was agreed to.

The Resolution from Select Council, asking the discharge of the Committee from the further consideration of the petitions of citizens, asking the change of sundry places of holding elections in different Wards, being under consideration.

Mr. Wister

Moved to concur.

Which was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the amendment of Select Council, to the amendment of this Council, to the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the Second and Third Street Passenger Railway Company, to construct a branch road on Shackamaxon and Penn Streets." (*Journal of Common Council, Page 404.*)

Which was agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved to concur in the amendment.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Resolution for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment of Select Council was non-concurred in.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

TUESDAY, October 5, 1858.

Council met, pursuant to the following call :

CHARLES B. TREGO, ESQ.,

President of the Common Council of Philadelphia :

The undersigned members of Common Council, hereby request you to call a special meeting of said Council, to be held on Tuesday next the fifth day of October 1858, at three o'clock P. M., at their chamber, for the purpose of considering the following Bills and Resolutions, to wit :

An Ordinance supplementary to an Ordinance approved May 10th, 1858, for the further extension of the Gas Works.

An Ordinance entitled "A Supplement to an Ordinance organizing the Department for supplying the City with water," approved October 3d, 1854.

And unfinished business from Select Council now on the President's desk.

Joseph Manuel, Jr.,
W. Rotch Wister,
Richard Wildey,
William Eckfeldt,
Jonathan Pugh,
George F. Gordon,
Peter Bobb,

James Gay,
William Conrad,
Hiram Miller,
Myers C. Fisher,
Jacob S. Fish,
Lewis S. Heins,
Charles A. Rubicam.

WILLIAM F. SMALL, ESQ.,

Clerk of Common Council,

SIR:—Please call a meeting of Common Council in accordance with the foregoing requisition.

CHARLES B. TREGO, *President.*

Philadelphia, Oct. 1st, 1858.

Members present :

Messrs. Brennan,

Bobb,

Brown,

Bullock,

Case,

Cattell,

Conrad, Osborn,

Conrad, William,

Cooley,

Cooper,

Day,

Dennis,

Doerr,

Dickinson,

Eckfeldt,

Ellis,

Enyard,

Fish,

Fisher,

French,

Gamble,

Gay,

Gheen,

Gordon,

Haas,

Harbert,

Heins,

Hodgdon,

Messrs. Hutchinson,

Jones,

Kelley,

Ketcham,

Krider,

Luther,

Manuel,

Mascher,

McBride,

Megary,

Miller, Geo. B.,

Miller, Hiram,

Morris,

Nippes,

Potter,

Pugh,

Riley,

Rubicam,

Server,

Shermer,

Simons,

Steelling,

Thompson,

Uber,

Wagner,

Willey,

Wister,

Wright,

Trego, President.

Mr. Pugh

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance supplementary to an Ordinance, approved May 10th, 1858, for the further extension of the Gas Works."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to amend by adding the following, at the end thereof:

Provided, That the said trustees are hereby required after making such appropriation to the Sinking Fund, and paying the interest on the respective loans as now required by law, that all the extra receipts, caused by an increase in the price of Gas, shall be appropriated for the following purposes: to the introduction of Service Pipes and Meters, to the laying of Gas Pipes, to refund to citizens the amounts of moneys advanced by them (over the usual rate of charge) for the laying of Gas Pipes and introduction of Service pipes, Meters, and their appurtenances, to refund to the Citizens the amounts of moneys paid them as a discount on that portion of Gas Loan No. 9, used in the purchase and laying of gas pipes, and the introduction of Service pipes, Meters and appurtenances.

And further Provided, That the price of Gas shall not exceed two dollars and fifty cents per one thousand feet; and that the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works shall not renew the contract with the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company, which expires in December, 1858.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to further amend by adding, "And that the charge for lighting the public lamps shall not be increased over that stipulated for in the present contract."

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to further amend by adding the following:

"That nothing herein contained shall hereafter prevent the Select and Common Councils from regulating the price of gas, in conformity to the now existing Ordinances."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section as amended was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

On the final passage of the Bill, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. W. Conrad and Brown.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Conrad William, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gheen, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Kelley, Ketcham, Kri-der, Luther, Manuel, McBride, Megary, Miller George B., Miller Hiram, Nippes, Riley, Rubieam, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cooley, Enyard, Gamble, Mascher, Potter.

Yeas 43. Nays 5.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading, and consideration of a Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance organizing the Department for supplying the City with Water, approved October 3, 1854."

Which was agreed to.

The Second Section was read.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to amend by striking out all after the words, "Section 2," and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"That hereafter there shall be levied a tax to defray the expenses of the Water Department, to be styled a Water Tax against each and every dwelling house situate on any street, lane, alley, court, or other place, where the water pipe is laid; and as fast as it may be laid along the line of any such property as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Chief Engineer to assess a rate of tax of such amount against every dwelling house, as is now charged where the water is introduced. And the Register of Water Rents is hereby authorized and directed to collect the same at the time Water Rents are collected by law; and in the event of any owner or owners of such property neglecting or refusing to pay the same on or before the thirtieth day of September in each year hereafter, the same shall be registered against his or their property, and be collected as other registered taxes are now collected by law.

"*Provided*, That the owners of such properties cannot show that the said property obtains water from other sources than the Water Department of the City of Philadelphia."

Mr. Wagner

Moved to amend the amendment, by adding at the end thereof the following:

"*Provided further*, That before the Engineer of the Water Works proceeds to collect any of the Water Tax as

aforesaid, he shall have placed along the streets where the pipes are laid, hydrant pumps, at such distances from each other as the Committee on Water Works may direct."

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Section as amended was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Fourth Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

On the final passage of the Bill, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Shermer and Wildey.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Bobb, Brown, Case, Conrad Osborn, Cooper, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, French, Gamble, Gay, Gordon, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Kelley, Miller Hiram, Morris, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Simons, Steelling, Thompson.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bullock, Cattell, Enyard, Fish, Gheen, Ketcham, Luther, Mascher, McBride, Nippes, Wagner, Wildey.

Yeas 25. Nays 12.

A quorum of members not having voted,

The Bill was not agreed to.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, October 7, 1858.

Council met.

Members present.

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Eckfeldt,
Epler,
Fish,
Fitler,
Fisher,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,

Messrs. Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,
Harbert,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
M'Cahen,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Mingle,
Morris,
Nippes,

Messrs. Potter,

Pugh,

Quinn,

Riley,

Roats,

Server,

Shermer,

Simons,

Smedley,

Messrs. Steelling,

Thompson,

Uber,

Wagner,

Walsh,

Wetherill,

Wildey,

Wister,

Wright,

Trego, President.

Mr. Bobb

Presented a Petition for the repaving of Budd Street south of Spruce Street, from Thirteenth to Juniper Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. French

Presented a Petition for gas pipes in Sixteenth Street between South and Fitzwater Streets.

Which was referred to Committee on Gas Works.

Also,

A Petition for the paving of Carlton Street, between Broad and Fifteenth Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition for a culvert in Thirteenth Street, between Walnut and Chesnut Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Petition for the opening and paving of Stocker Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition for water pipes in North Seventh Street, between Columbia Avenue and the Germantown turnpike.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Remonstrance against paving Powell Street, from Francis to Vineyard Streets.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Petition for the paving of Vineyard Street, between Ridge Avenue and Nineteenth Street.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Girard Avenue from Tenth to Eleventh Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Riley

Presented a Petition for the laying of water pipes on Hamilton Street, between Chestnut and Walnut streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for the grading of the same street.

Also,

A Petition for the opening of Fifty-second Street.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Heins

On leave offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of removing the Fire Alarm Bell erected upon the Station House in the Nineteenth Ward, to that located in the Seventeenth Ward, at the corner of Front and Master Streets.

And moved that it be referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Haas

Presented a Petition for gas lamps, on Summit Street, in the Twenty-second Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Communication from A. M. Durden M. D., giving notice that the place of voting can not be longer located at the N. E. Corner of Eighth and Federal Streets.

Mr. Brenan

On leave offered the following

Resolution :

Changing the place of voting in the Fifth Division of the Second Ward.

Whereas, A. M. Durden, the lessee of the Precinct House of the Fifth Division, Second Ward, has refused to permit the election hereafter to be held at that house, therefore *Resolved*, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the elections in that Precinct shall hereafter be held at the house of P. Dougherty, No. 524 south Eighth Street, below Washington Avenue.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The President

Submitted a Communication from the Chief Engineer,
(*See Appendix No. 121.*)

Also,

A Communication from the City Controller, (*See Appendix No. 122.*)

Also,

A Communication from Michael Culley, asking compensation for injuries sustained by falling over an addition to the Market Sheds at Seventh and Market Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Also,

The following appointment of the monthly Visiting Committees to Girard College, appointed in compliance with Resolution adopted Sept. 30, 1858.

<i>October.</i>	<i>December.</i>	<i>February.</i>	<i>April.</i>
Messrs. Gordon, Luther, House, Cattell, Dickinson, Kelton, Holmes, Simons, Bullock, McDonough Baird,	Messrs. Riley, Pugh, McIlvain, Ketcham, Bobb, Mascher, Walsh, French, Case, Kridler, Thompson,	Messrs. Rubicam, McBride, Gheen, Rothermel, Dennis, Shermer, Uber, Nippes, McCahen, Mingle, Brenan,	Messrs. Potter. Gillingham, Andress, Enyard, Manuel, Harmer, Day, Jones, Fish, Morris, Quinn,
<i>November.</i>	<i>January.</i>	<i>March.</i>	<i>May.</i>
Messrs. Wetherill, Harbert, Wm. Conrad Hacker, Conly, Bowker, Haas, Ellis, Simon, Schoch, Wright.	Messrs. Gamble, Megary, Savage, Eckfeldt, McClellan, Hodgdon, Epler, Server, Fisher, Wagner, O. Conrad,	Messrs. Wister, Cooley, Smedley, Heins, Kelley, Hutchinson, Wilkey, Roat, Carson, Cooper, Manderfield,	Messrs. Steeling, G. B. Miller, Moyer, Kersey, Gay, Brown, Fidler, Hunter, H. Miller, Kerr, Handy, Doerr.

Also,

A Communication from the proprietors of the Public Ledger, asking payment of a Bill of \$23.38, for sundry advertising for the Board of Health.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Communication from J. & T. Parham, proposing to sell to the City of Philadelphia the patent right of their Patent Fire Plug, for the sum of \$4,000.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Hacker,

From the Committee on Finance, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department of the City Controller.” (*See Appendix No. 123.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City.” (*See Appendix No. 124.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and that it be printed for the use of members.

Which was not agreed to.

The same gentleman

Moved to strike out the item appropriating two hundred dollars to L. B. Wales, for legal services.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wildey

Moved to strike out the item appropriating thirty dollars to M. A. Davis, for four chairs.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Epler

Moved to strike out so much of Item 8 as appropriates four hundred dollars for engraving steel plate for Certificate of City Loan.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation for the payment of claims for building the Police Station House of the Eleventh Police District.” (*See Appendix No. 125.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to refer it to the Committee on Law, with instructions to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor, and report at the next stated meeting.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to postpone the further consideration for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

On the final passage of the Bill the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Steelling and Wetherill.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs Andress, Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Brown, Bullock, Case, Cooley, Cooper, Doerr, Ellis, Epler, Gay, Haas, Hacker, Heins, Holmes, Hunter, Jones, Kelley, Kerr, Ketcham, Luther, Manuel, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Morris, Quinn, Riley, Roats, Simons, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Carson, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Harbert, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Krider, Miller George B., Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Shermer, Smedley, Steelling, Wetherill.

Yeas 41. Nays 27.

So the Bill passed.

The President and Members of Select Council were introduced, and Councils being assembled in Convention,

The President

Announced the object thereof to be the election of a Commissioner of Markets, and a Superintendant of Trusts.

Mr. Mascher

Nominated Jacob Hess,

For Commissioner of Markets.

Mr. Morris

Nominated N. T. Baroux.

Mr. Benton

Nominated J. A. T. Laws.

Mr. Gamble

Nominated Charles Oat,

For Superintendant of Trusts.

The Clerks, acting as Tellers, reported that 82 votes had been cast, of which,

Select Council,

Messrs. Cuyler, and Wharton, *President*,

2, voted for Jacob Hess.

Common Council,

Messrs. Epler, Gay, Kelley, Mascher, Wright,

5, voted for Jacob Hess.

In all, 7 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringham, Cornman, Davis, Enos, Ford, Leidy, McIntyre, Neal, Parker, Read, Thompson,

11, voted for N. T. Baroux.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller George B., Mingle, Morris, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Server, Shermer, Simons, Sinedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*,

55, voted for N. T. Baroux.

In all, 66 votes.

Select Council,

Messrs. Benton, Foster, Kline, Nathans, Norman,

5, voted for Jesse A. T. Laws.

Common Council,

Messrs. Baird, Megary, Thompson,

3, voted for Jesse A. T. Laws.

In all, 8 votes.

Common Council,

Mr. Brennan,

1, voted for William Lamb.

Select Council,

Messrs. Bringhurst, Cornman, Cuyler, Davis, Enos, Ford, Foster, Kline, Leidy, McIntyre, Nathans, Neal, Norman, Parker, Read, Thompson, Wharton, *President*,

17, voted for Charles Oat.

Common Council,

Messrs. Andress, Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Mascher, Miller George B., Mingle, Morris, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Server, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*,

62, voted for Charles Oat.

In all, 79 votes.

Common Council,

Mr. Megary,

1, voted for Henry Cope.

The President

Declared that N. T. Baroux, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected Commissioner of Markets.

And that Charles Oat, having received the highest number of votes cast, was duly elected the Superintendent of Trusts.

And announced, that, the business for which the Con-

vention had assembled having been finished, the Convention was dissolved.

The members of Select Council retired from the chamber.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to widen the footways on Moyamensing Avenue, from Greenwich to Mifflin Streets.”

And the following Resolutions:

1. “Resolution, authorizing the paving of Clinton and other streets.”

2. “Resolution to open Fourth Street, from Oxford to Cadwalader Streets.”

3. “Resolution, authorizing the re-paving of Northrop and Gilbert Streets.”

4. “Resolution relative to cleansing the streets of the City.” (*See Appendix No. 126.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Resolution reported by the Committee.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The Title was adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Third Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Fourth Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Kerr

Moved to amend the Resolution by striking out all after the word "Resolved," and inserting the following:

"By the Select and Common Councils, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to advertise for proposals for cleaning the streets in the several districts as now constituted. Said proposals or bids to be made upon the basis of specifications issued from the Department of Highways. Each bidder to bid for but one of the divisions, and for the period of time, commencing with the day of the execution of the contract, and ending with the 1st of October, 1859. Said advertisements to state the day and time up to which the proposals shall be received. The proposals to be opened by the Chief Commissioner of Highways, in the presence of the Committee of Highways, at a meeting to be called for that purpose; and the said Committee shall report to Councils, at the next stated meeting, the names of the said bidders, and the amount bid by each respectively."

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the Resolution reported by the Committee,

Mr. Gordon

Moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed.

Which was not agreed to.

The question again recurring on the Resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Kerr and Mascher, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Ellis, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fisher, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel,

Megary, Miller George B., Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Server, Shermer, Simons, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. French, Gay, Holmes, Kelley, Kelton, Kerr, Luther, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, Thompson, Walsh.

Yeas, 45. Nays, 12.

The following Message from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, October 7, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 1st instant, A Supplement to an Ordinance to regulate the sale of fruits and vegetables, approved Nov 17, 1857.

On the 1st instant, An Ordinance to authorize a loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the city.

On the 1st instant, An Ordinance to authorize a loan to construct certain culverts.

On the 1st instant, An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain, on the line of Seventh street, southwardly from Race street, in the Tenth Ward.

On the 1st instant, A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to advertise for proposals for a certain loan.

On the 6th instant, An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of highways, bridges, sewers, and cleansing the city.

On the 6th instant, An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Randolph street, northward from Parrish street, in the Twelfth Ward.

On the 6th instant, An Ordinance to authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Wood street, westwardly from Queen street, in the Eighteenth Ward.

On the 6th instant, A Resolution designating the person to whom the honor belongs, of having originated the project of laying a telegraph cable across the Atlantic.

On the 7th instant, An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of highways, to pay certain road damages.

On the 7th instant, A Resolution to transfer an item of appropriation to the Department of Highways.

On the 7th instant, A Resolution to authorize the paving of Franklin and other streets.

On the 7th instant, A Resolution to grade Bridge street.

On the 7th instant, A Resolution authorizing the paving of Shippen street.

On the 7th instant, A Resolution explaining an ordinance relative to an appropriation for the repairs of Girard Avenue Bridge.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Gay

Offered the following

Resolution:

Authorizing the Chief Engineer of the water works to place fire plugs.

Resolved, by the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer of the water department, be authorized and directed to place a plug or plugs in the grounds of the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane; provided the managers pay all expenses incurred in making the attachments, and that the Chief Engineer of the water works be also directed to cause water-pipes in Twenty-second street, from Spring Garden to Callowhill streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

Mr. Kerr

Offered the following Preamble and

Resolution

Whereas, The West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company, are now laying rails on Till Street, Twenty-fourth Ward; without authority of law, therefore *Resolved*, by the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to compel said Company to discontinue the laying of rails on said street, until the consent of Councils be obtained.

And moved to proceed to the second reading of the same.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Riley

Moved to refer this Resolution to the Committee on Railroads.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dickinson

Offered the following

Resolution:

Authorizing advertisement for proposals for the Construction
of certain Culverts.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that in order that the work of constructing the Cohocksink Creek, Vine Street, Moore Street, and Twenty-fifth Street Culverts, may be proceeded with as far as practicable the present season. That the Chief Engineer and Surveyor and Chief Commissioner of Highways, be, and they are hereby directed and required to forthwith advertise for proposals.

Which was read twice and adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the Committee on Surveys and Regulations, presented a report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the construction of certain Culverts or Drains on the lines of Girard Avenue, Arch Street, Jefferson Street, Fifteenth Street, and Race Street, in the Ninth, Tenth, Seventeenth and Twentieth Wards. (*See Appendix No. 127*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Bowker

Moved that Council adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Heins

Moved that when Council adjourn, it will adjourn to meet on Wednesday next, at three o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Cattell

Moved to amend by striking out “Wednesday,” and inserting “Monday.”

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bowker

Moved to amend by striking out “Wednesday at three o'clock P. M.,” and inserting, “Thursday next at ten o'clock A. M.”

Which was not agreed to.

The original motion was not agreed to.

A Message was received from Select Council informing Common Council, that they have received a report from the Committee on Health, with a Bill entitled, "an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Health," which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Also, that they have received a report from the Committee on Girard Estates, with a Resolution entitled, Resolution authorizing the transfer of certain items of appropriation of the Girard Trust," which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

/ Also, that they have received a report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution entitled, "A Resolution to transfer a certain item of appropriation to the Department for Supplying the City with water," which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

Also, that they passed a Resolution entitled, "Resolution in reference to sealed proposals," in which they ask concurrence.

Also, that they have passed a Resolution entitled, "Resolution authorizing an examination of the books of the Commissioner of Market Houses, pertaining to the Wharves and Landings."

Also, that they have passed a Resolution entitled, "Resolution relative to the accounts of Eugene Ahern."

Also, that they have passed a Resolution entitled, "Resolution to pay claims for introducing gas into the Almshouse, and to transfer a balance of appropriation to Item 2," in which they ask concurrence.

Select Council informed Council, that they had concurred in the Resolution entitled, "Resolution explaining an Ordinance relative to an appropriation, for the repairs of Girard Avenue Bridge."

Also, in the Bill entitled, "an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of City Controller."

Also, in the Bill entitled, "an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers and Cleansing of the City."

Also, in the amendment of Common Council to Select Council's Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to lay water pipes in Barker and other streets."

Also, in the Resolution entitled, "Resolution to transfer certain items of appropriation to the Department of Police."

Mr. Manderfield

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, October 14, 1858.

Council met.

Members present.

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,

Messrs. Hacker,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,

Messrs. Roats,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Schoch,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,

Messrs. Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

The President

Announced that, through an error, the name of Mr. Case appeared on the Committee to visit Girard College in the month of March, instead of Mr. Heins, the regularly appointed member.

The President

Submitted the following Communication:

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, Oct. 14, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:*

GENTLEMEN:—I find by examination in this Department, the following Warrants remain in this Office, the amounts of which we are of opinion have been collected from the City on suit, viz:

DATE.	TO WHOM PAYABLE.	PURPOSE.	NO.	AM'T.
July, 7, 1856.	W. West,	Direc. Poor Northamp'n Co.,	35	\$16 50
" 28, "	S. Weyant,	Coal, Waters Legacy Fund,	85	66 37
" " "	E. W. & H. Gorgas,	Wood, " " "	86	33 75
Aug. 24, "	Wm. M. Rex,	Porter,	230	22 50
Sept. 5, "	W. T. Crook & Son,	Blankets,	298	53 20

Yours truly,

ISRAEL R. DEACON,

Secretary.

Which was laid on the table.

Also,

The following Communication :

HEALTH OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, October 14, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

I am directed by the Board of Health to transmit to you the annexed copy of a Resolution passed this date.

Respectfully yours,

WASH. L. BLADEN,
Clerk.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board inform the Councils of the City to day, that the Lazaretto property and the building of the City Hospital are insured in the Philadelphia Insurance Company, which Company has failed and gone into an assignment; and therefore the Policies on the aforesaid buildings are at this moment of little or no security; and the Lazaretto buildings should at once be re-insured in some other Office.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Also,

The following Communication.

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
October 14, 1858. }

*To the Honorable, the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.,*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing Ordinances re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I have suspended from service the Philadelphia Engine Company, for disobedience of my orders at the fire on Saturday morning last; the 9th inst., in Locust Street between Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets.

I therefore submit the same for your consideration, and would most respectfully recommend the disbandment of the said Company, on account of the unruliness of its members in times of fire, and during alarms thereof.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. G. B. Miller

Presented a Petition for lamps, on Moyamensing Avenue between Greenwich and Williamson Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition for water pipe in Malony Street between Twentieth and Twenty-first Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Communication from the United States Engine Company, protesting against the removal of their alarm bell.

Also,

A Petition from the Diligent Engine Company, asking for an appropriation for the maintenance of their Steam Fire Engine.

Also,

A Petition for a signal box of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, to be located in the house of the Diligent Engine.

Mr. Wagner

Presented a Petition from the Independence Hose Company, asking that their house may be allowed as a location for a Steam Fire Engine.

Which were referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. H. Miller

Presented a Petition for the paving of Stiles Street, from Sixteenth to Nineteenth Streets.

Mr. Doerr

Presented a Petition to have Coral Street opened at its intersection with the Frankford Road.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for the paving of Norris Street, between Kressler and Mechanic Streets.

Also,

A Petition for the opening of Lehigh Avenue.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Smedley

Presented a Remonstrance against the Repeal of a Market Ordinance passed April 2, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Pugh

Presented a Communication from the Delaware Engine Company, asking that their Engine House may be approved as a location for their Steam Engine Company.

And offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, by the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that they do hereby approve of the Delaware Fire Engine Company South Street between Eighteenth and Nineteenth Streets, as a suitable location for a Steam Fire Engine.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to refer the Resolution, together with the Communication, to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Presented a Remonstrance against the location of the house of the Diligent Hose Company, in Eleventh Street between Race and Vine Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to suspend the orders of the day, and proceed to the consideration of the unfinished business from Select Council now on the President's desk.

Which was agreed to.

Also,

Moved to proceed to the third reading of a Bill from Select Council, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance

organizing the Department for supplying the City with water, approved October 3d, 1854."

Which was agreed to.

The Bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Gordon and Dickinson.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Brown, Carson, Case, Cooper, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, French, Gamble, Gay, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Krider, Manuel, Megary, Miller Hiram, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Simons, Smedley, Thompson, Walsh, Wetherill, Wright.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Bullock, Cattell, Comly, Conrad William, Cooley, Dennis, Eckfeldt, Enyard, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Gheen, Hunter, Ketcham, Luther, Mascher, McBride, Miller George B., Nippes, Server, Shermer, Uber, Wagner, Wildey, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 40. Nays 26.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading of a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Controllers of Public Schools, for the repairs of certain School-houses, and for other purposes.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend by adding at the end of the Section, the following, "7, for an iron railing to the Francisville School-house, in the Fifteenth School Section, three hundred dollars."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Pugh

Moved to amend by striking out the words "Thirteenth Section," and inserting "Fourteenth Section."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section as amended was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill from Select Council, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, 'an Ordinance to authorize the sale of a certain lot of ground in the Fifteenth Ward, and to provide for the erection of a Hospital building with part of the proceeds thereof,' approved March 5th, 1857."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution explanatory of a Resolution therein named."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Council proceeded to the second reading of a Resolution requesting the Mayor to enforce the Ordinances against emptying coal from carts on the footways.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to refer the Resolution to the Committee on Police.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Asked that the special order of business be suspended to allow a Report to be made by the Committee on Poor, upon the investigation of the contract with John Jones by the Guardians of the Poor.

Mr. Kerr

Moved to suspend the special order of business.

Which was not agreed to.

Council proceeded to the consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, instructing the Committee on Railroads to report a Supplement to the Ordinance regulating Passenger Railroad Companies.

Mr. Kelton

Moved to refer the Resolution to the Committee on Railroads.

Which was agreed to.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, to transfer a certain item of appropriation to the Department for supplying the City with Water.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution requiring the City Solicitor to compel the Frankford and Southwark Passenger Railway Company to file a statement of the cost of their road."

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Twenty-first and other Streets."

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to pay certain claims."

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consider-

ation of a Resolution from Select Council, relative to the grave of BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

The Resolution was read a second time, and not agreed to.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution instructing the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department to inquire whether the number of Companies in the Fire Department may not be diminished, with advantage to the City."

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was read a second time.

On the adoption of the Title, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Kerr and Epler.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Comly, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Mascher, McBride, Megary, Miller George B., Miller Hiram, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Rubicam, Savage, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brenan, Dickinson, Epler, Gay, Kerr, Manuel, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh.

Yeas 63. Nays 9.

So the Title was agreed to.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution of Thanks for a Photographic Copy of the Charter of the City."

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had concurred in the "Resolution authorizing the paving of Twenty-fifth and other streets," with the following amendments, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on the following named streets, viz: Twenty-fifth Street, between Pine and South, in the Seventh Ward; Perry Street, from Jefferson to Oxford Streets, in the Seventeenth Ward, and Capitol Street, from Brown to Parrish Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward; are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver to be approved by the Highway Department, who shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in said streets before the paving is begun."

Mr. Bullock

Moved that Council non-concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

So Common Council non-concurred.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had concurred in a "Resolution authorizing the paving of Twentieth and other Streets," with the following amendments, in which they ask concurrence.

Moved to amend, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on the following named streets, viz: Twentieth Street, from Ridge Avenue to Lancaster Street, in the Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards; Canal Street, from Jefferson Avenue to Fifth

Street, in the First Ward; and Fifteenth Street, from Girard Avenue to Cambridge Street, in the Twentieth Ward; are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver to be approved by the Highway Department, who shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved, and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department, while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be in said streets before the paving is begun."

Mr. Kelley

Moved to concur in the amendment.

On this question the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Kelley and Megary.

And were as follows:

YEAS. — Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Epler, Kelley, McBride, Megary, Rubicam, Schoch, Thompson, Wetherill, Wright.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Carson, Case, Cattell, Comly, Cooley, Cooper, Dickinson, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, Hunter, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Miller George B., Miller Hiram, Mingle, Morris, Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Roats, Savage, Shermer, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 11. Nays 47.

So Common Council non-concurred.

A message was received from Select Council informing Council, that they had received a Report from the Committee on City Property, with a Resolution entitled, "Res-

olution to transfer certain items of appropriation, to the Department of City Property," which they had passed and ask concurrence.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Gordon,

From the Committee on Poor, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix, No. 128.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

The Resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Resolution for the present, and that the Report be referred to a Special Committee of Five from this Chamber.

Mr. Kelley

Raised a point of order that the Report was not properly before Council, as it appears not to be signed by a majority of the Committee.

The President

Decided the point of order well taken.

Mr. Jones

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 23, on Common Council File, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation for repairs to Station Houses."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Jones

Moved to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Council proceeded to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the transfer of certain items of appropriation to the Girard Trust.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Ellis

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 4, on Select Council File, entitled, "An Ordinance supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, 'An Ordinance to regulate Passenger Railways,' approved July 7, 1857."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Gordon

Rose to a point of order, that the Bill, having been reported to Select Council, and not as yet acted upon in that Chamber, it would be improper to consider it in this.

The President

Decided the point not well taken, inasmuch as the Report was made by a Joint Committee, and might be brought up in either Council.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend by striking out the 24th and 25th lines, to wit:

“*Fourth*, That no car shall be placed on, or run upon any passenger railway, on the day of the week commonly known as Sunday.”

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, together with the pending amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Morris

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of Bill No. 3, on Common Council File, entitled, “An Ordinance to authorize the construction of culverts or drains along Second Street, and other streets, in the Nineteenth Ward.”

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was read.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by striking out the words, "on account of the sum," in the seventh line.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Potter

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and that it be referred to the Committee on Surveys, with a request to report at the next stated meeting.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker,

From the Committee on Finance, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of N. T. Baroux," (*See Appendix No. 129.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The following Communication from the Mayor was received :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, October 14, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinance and Joint Resolution have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 9th instant, A Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers and cleansing the City.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Fish

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

declaring Broad Street from Brown to Callowhill Streets, a stand for market wagons.”

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Offered the following

Resolution:

To release the sureties of James Elliott.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be instructed to release the bonds of the sureties of James Elliott, late supervisor of the Ninth and Tenth Wards, as soon as he has ascertained that his accounts are correct.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report with three Resolutions annexed, entitled,

1. “Resolution directing the revision of grades in the Twenty-fourth Ward.”

2. "Resolution to repave and tramway Budd Street, in the Seventh Ward."

3. "Resolutions to notify the Property owners on Haverford Street to grade footways, and to authorize the grading of certain streets." (*See Appendix No. 130.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Third Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the Committee on Highways, with a Resolution annexed, entitled,

"Resolution making an appropriation to finish grading Bridge Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward." (*See Appendix No. 131.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Jones,

From the Committee on Police, presented a report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department of Police, for purposes therein mentioned.” (*See Appendix No. 132.*)

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report, adverse to the application of the Eagle and Relief Hose Companies for admission into the Fire Department, with a Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 133.*)

The Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, adverse to the application of the Washington Hook and Ladder Company for admission into the Fire Department, with a Resolution discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. (*See Appendix No. 134.*)

The Resolution was read twice and adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the Committee on Surveys and Regulations, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

for the repair of a small bridge and a road in the Twenty-third Ward.” (*See Appendix No. 135.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hutchinson

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hutchinson

Presented a further Report from the Committee on Surveys, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution to proceed with the survey and regulation of a portion of the late Townships of Kingsessing and Blockley." (*See Appendix No. 136.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Dennis,

From the Committee on Claims, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia." (*See Appendix No. 137.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was not agreed to.

A Message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had received a Report from the Committee on Water Works, with a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to pay certain bills therein named," which they had passed, and ask concurrence.

Also, that they had received a Report from the Committee on Health, with a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Health," which they had passed, and ask concurrence.

Also, informing Council that they had concurred in the amendments of Common Council to the Bill, entitled, "A Supplement to an Ordinance organizing the Department for supplying the City with Water, approved October 3, 1854."

Also, in the amendments of Common Council to the Select Council Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Controllers of Public Schools, for the repairs of certain School Houses, and for other purposes."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation for repairs to Station Houses."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation for the payment of claims for building the Police Station House in the Eleventh District."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to widen the footways on Moyamensing Avenue, from Greenwich to Mifflin Streets."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of N. T. Baroux."

Mr. Kerr

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, October 21, 1858.

Council met.

Members present.

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Case,
Cattell,
Comly,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
Fitler,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,

Messrs. Handy,
Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McCahen,
McClellan,
McIlvaine,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,

Messrs. Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,
Simons,

Messrs. Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,
Wright,

Trego, *President.*

Mr. Handy

Moved to correct so much of the last Journal as relates to the adoption of the Resolution from Select Council, to instruct the City Solicitor, to compel the Frankford and Southwark Passenger Railway Company, to file a statement of the cost of their road, by substituting the word "postponed" for the word "adopted."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Krider

Presented a Remonstrance against the removal of the market houses from Market Street.

Mr. Case

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Which were referred to the Joint Special Committee on that subject.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Petition for the erection of additional market houses in South Eleventh Street.

Mr. McClean

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Walsh

Presented a Petition for water pipes on Stocker Street, between Carpenter and Prime Streets.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition from the Good Will Fire Company, asking that a patent fire plug may be placed in front of their engine house.

Mr. Rubicam

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Bedford Street, between Twentieth and Twenty-first Streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Luther

Presented a petition for public lamps, in various streets in the Nineteenth Ward.

Also,

A Petition for a gas lamp in Cooper Street in the Eighth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Pugh

Presented a Petition for gas pipes in Hutchinson Street, north of Poplar Street.

Which was referred to Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Gordon

Presented a Petition from the Mechanic Fire Engine Company, asking that their engine house may be approved as a suitable location for a Steam Fire Engine.

Mr. Enyard

Presented a Petition from the Globe Fire Engine Company, asking aid from Councils in procuring a Steam Fire Engine.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Petition from the America Fire Company, asking that their engine house may be approved as a suitable location for a Steam Fire Engine.

Which were referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Also,

A Communication from Charles Oat, Superintendent of Trusts, submitting the names of his proposed sureties.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Ellis

Presented a Petition for gas pipes on Sixth Street, below Girard Avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Mr. Morris

Presented a Petition for water pipes on Sorrel Street, between Larch and Bath Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Remonstrance of property owners on Philip Street, between Chatham and Diamond Streets, against paving the same.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Petition for the paving of Seventh Street, between Columbia Avenue and Germantown Road.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Smedley

Presented a Petition for the repeal of a Market Ordinance, approved April 28, 1858.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Fisher

Presented a Petition for filling up Bolton Street, in the Twentieth Ward.

Mr. Cattell

Presented a Petition for grading Walnut Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Also,

A Petition for public lamps on Logan Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Fish

Presented a Petition for the repeal of so much of an Ordinance passed May 3, 1858, as imposes a rent for culvert privileges.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Riley

Presented a Petition for water pipes in Baring Street, between Thirty-third and Thirty-fifth Streets.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Remonstrance against laying water pipes in Sorrel Street, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Gay

Presented a Petition for two public lamps on Apple Street, between Girard Avenue and Thompson Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition for the removal of the Market Sheds from Market Street.

Mr. Case

Presented a Remonstrance against the removal of the Market Sheds from Market Street.

Which were referred to the Joint Special Committee on that subject.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Petition for changing the name of Elk Street to Hope Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

The President

Submitted the following Communication from the Commissioner of Markets:

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT OF MARKET HOUSES, }
Philadelphia, October 21, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Having entered upon the duties of my office on Saturday the 16th inst., my predecessor claimed the right to take the books of this Department to the City Controller for settlement, and being informed of his right to do so, I permitted him to take them for this purpose.

Sufficient time having elapsed for the settlement of the aforesaid books, I called this morning upon the City

Controller, and was informed by him that the late Commissioner had not yet presented his books for settlement.

I therefore deem it necessary that the above facts should be submitted to your body.

Very respectfully yours, &c.,

N. T. BAROUX,

Commissioner of Markets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Report from the Committee on Finance, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to defray a part of the expenses that have been incurred in celebrating the successful laying of the Atlantic Telegraph Cable.” (*See Appendix No. 138.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was not agreed to.

The same gentleman,

From the Committee on Finance, presented a further Report, with four Bills annexed, entitled,

1. “An Ordinance to define more particularly the duties of the several Departments of the City Government.”

2. “An Ordinance requiring the City Solicitor to perform certain duties.

3. “An Ordinance to define the duties of the Aldermen of the City of Philadelphia.”

4. “An Ordinance further defining the duties of the City Government. (*See Appendix No. 139.*)

Which were laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

The same gentleman

Offered the following

Resolution

To authorize the City Solicitor to enter satisfaction on a certain Bond and Judgment.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to enter satisfaction on the bond of Henry Bickley. *Provided*, the Chief Commissioner of Highways shall certify that his accounts are correct with the Highway Department. And also upon a judgment against Samuel P. Fearon and others, in the Supreme Court, January Term, 1857, No. 54, said judgment being entered upon bond given by said Fearon to the City of Philadelphia, for the performance of the duties of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Offered the following

Resolution :

Releasing the sureties of William Engard.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties of William Engard, late Supervisor of the First Precinct of the Twenty-third Ward, be released. *Provided*, that the City Solicitor be satisfied that his accounts are correct.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report with Five Resolutions annexed, entitled,

1. "Resolution to repave and tramway certain streets."

2. "Resolution to pave and tramway Fennimore Street."

3. "Resolution to grade certain streets."

4. "Resolution to authorize notice to be given of the intended opening of certain streets."

5. "Resolution to pave Bröwn Street." (*See Appendix No. 140.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the First Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Second Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Third Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Fourth Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Fifth Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a further report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation for repairs to the Permanent Bridge.” (*See Appendix, No. 141.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Bullock

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Jones,

From the Committee on Police, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE .

to make an appropriation for building new Station Houses in the First and Ninth Police Districts.” (*See Appendix, No. 142.*)

Which was laid on the Table.

Mr. Moyer

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to defray expenses in the removing of certain Telegraph Boxes.” (*See Appendix, No. 143.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Heins

Moved to amend the Section by adding the following:
"To place a Fire Alarm Box in the Good Will Engine House, the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars."

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moyer

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the charges against the Fairmount Engine Company. (*See Appendix, No. 144.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and not agreed to.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a further Report from the same Committee with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution, reinstating the Niagara Hose Company in the Fire Department." (*See Appendix, No. 145.*)

The Resolution was read twice and adopted.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution suspending the Franklin Hose Company." (*See Appendix, No. 146.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to amend by striking out "one month," and inserting "twelve months."

Mr. Potter

Moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words, "be suspended for the space of twelve months," and inserting, "be stricken from the roll of the Fire Department."

On this question, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Pugh and Brennan, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Cattell, Comley, Ellis, Enyard, Fisher, French, Gay, Gillingham, Kelton, Ketcham, Mascher, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Potter, Riley, Savage, Wetherill.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brennan, Brown, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Epler, Fish, Fittler, Gamble, Gheen, Harmer, Heins, Holmes, House, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kerr, Kersey, Krider, Luther, McBride, McClean, Megary, Miller Geo. B., Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Rubicam, Server, Shermer, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

Yeas, 18. Nays, 43.

So the amendment to the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend the amendment, by striking out "twelve months" and inserting "three months."

Mr. Pugh

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject for two weeks.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Riley

Moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment to the amendment, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Steelling and Krider, and were as follows :

YEAS. — Messrs. Bowker, Brown, Case, Conrad Osborn, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Epler, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kerr, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, McClean, Megary, Miller George B., Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Server, Shermer, Steelling, Uber, Wagner.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bobb, Cattell, Conrad William, Cooley, Doerr, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gillingham, Heins, Hodgdon, Holmes, Jones, Kelley, Kelton, Kersey, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Miller Hiram, Potter, Rubicam, Simons, Smedley, Thompson, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

Yeas 30. Nays 35.

The question recurring on the amendment, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Heins and Pugh.

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Cattell, Conrad William, Doerr, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gillingham, Gordon, Holmes, Kelton, Mascher, McBride, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Potter, Rubicam, Simons, Smedley, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Bowker, Brown, Conrad Osborn, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Dickinson, Epler, Fitler, Gamble, Gheen, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelley, Kerr, Kersey, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McCahen, McClean, McIlvain, Megary, Miller George B., Morris, Moyer, Pugh, Riley, Server, Shermer, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh.

Yeas 27. Nays 40.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The following Communication was received from the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, October 21, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and joint Resolution, have been approved and signed, viz:

On the 15th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia.

On the 15th inst., A Resolution approving the sureties of N. T. Baroux.

On the 16th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation for repairs to Station Houses.

On the 16th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation for the payment of claims, for building the Police Station House of the Eleventh District.

On the 16th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of the City Controller.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Gordon,

From the Committee on Poor, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, discharging the Committee from the further consideration of the contract between John Jones, and the Guardians of the Poor. (*See Appendix No. 147.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Mr. Steelling

Moved that the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Mascher

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That a special Committee of three be appointed to investigate the contract between Guardians of the Poor and John Jones.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Kerr and Mascher.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Ellis, Epler, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Kerr, Kersey, Mascher, McBride, Miller Hiram, Smedley, Steelling, Wetherill, Wildey, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bobb, Brown, Case, Cattell, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Dickinson, Gamble, Gheen, Gordon, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller George B., Potter, Pugh, Riley, Server, Simons, Uber, Wagner, Wister.

Yeas 17. Nays 29.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following

Resolution

To transfer certain items of appropriation to the Board of Health.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Controller be and is

hereby authorized to transfer the following items appropriated for the expense of the Board of Health for 1858, to item for "Good Will, Rent, and Repairs of Hospital Building."

From removal of nuisances,	\$1,500
" carriage hire and omnibus tickets for Burial Committee,	50
" Committee on bills of mortality,	100
" board of patients,	200
" coffins, and digging of graves,	100
" coal, wood, and portorage,	100
" incidental repairs, and small miscellaneous repairs and expenses,	150
" carriage hire and omnibus tickets for Sanitary Committee,	100
" extraordinary expenses of same in cases of epidemic,	100
" for soap, starch, fluid, oil, indigo, matches, brushes, &c.,	100
" medicines, leeching, lime, &c.,	100
" brandy, wine, porter, and ale,	50
" clothing, bedding, straw, brushes, soap, Hospital furniture and incidentals,	300
" general repairs at Lazaretto Station,	600
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Making a total of	\$3,550

Provided, that the Board of Health, in connection with the Committee on Health, shall select a suitable building for the accommodation of the small-pox patients, outside of the paved limits of the City.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to amend by inserting the words, "curbed and" before the word "paved."

Which was not agreed to.

The Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill from Select Council, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the Superintendant of Girard Estate to widen Delaware Avenue.”

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Third Section was agreed to.

The Preamble was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

So Common Council concurred.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had passed a Bill, entitled, “An Ordinance to make a further appropriation to the Directors of Girard College, for the purpose of completing the Infirmary Building.”

Also,

A "Resolution to lay water pipes in Howard and other streets."

Also,

A "Resolution to transfer certain items of appropriation to the Department for supplying the City with Water."

Also,

"Resolutions fixing the salary of the Superintendant of Fairmount Park, and for other purposes."

Also,

A Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance providing for the removal of the materials contained in the Market Houses in Market Street, and also prohibiting the occupancy of of the sidewalk of said street by stands for the sale of meats, vegetables, and farm products; and also prohibiting the standing of market wagons in said street."

Also, that they had concurred in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to fix certain revised line and grade regulations."

Also,

In the "Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to enter satisfaction on a certain Bond and Judgment."

Also,

In the "Resolution expelling the Moyamensing Hose Company from the Fire Department," with the following amendments:

Amend by striking out all after the word "Resolved," and inserting, as originally reported from the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, as follows:

"That the Moyamensing Hose Company be suspended for the space of four months, said suspension commencing on the 29th day of June last past.

Also, amend the Title, by striking out all after the word "Resolution," and insert as follows, to wit: "to suspend the Moyamensing Hose."

Mr. Brennan

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

TUESDAY, October 26, 1858.

A Special Meeting of Council was held this day, in pursuance of the following call:

TO CHARLES B. TREGO, ESQ.,
President of Common Council of Philadelphia.

DEAR SIR:—We, the subscribers, members of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, desire you to call a Special Meeting of that body, to be held on Tuesday afternoon next, October 26, 1858, at three o'clock, P. M., at their chamber, for the purpose of considering the following Bills and Resolutions, to wit:

An Ordinance, entitled, “An Ordinance to make an additional appropriation to the Board of the Guardians of the Poor, &c.”

An Ordinance, entitled, “An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City.”

An Ordinance, supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, “An Ordinance to Regulate Passenger Railways,” approved July 7th, 1857; and also the unfinished business from the Select Council.

W. L. Dennis,
George W. Gamble,
Robert Luther,
Hiram Miller,
Alex. L. Hodgdon,
M. H. Dickinson,

Jno. Bullock,
John Krider,
Robert Kelton,
George F. Gordon,
Jos. S. Riley, Jr.,
Jos. Manuel, Jr.

WM. F. SMALL, ESQ.,
Clerk of Common Council.

SIR:—Please call a meeting of Common Council in accordance with the foregoing requisition.

Oct. 22, 1858.

CHARLES B. TREGO,
President of Common Council.

Council met.

Members present.

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Carson,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Dickinson,
Ellis,
Fish,
Fisher,
French,
Gamble,
Gny,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Hacker,
Harbert,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Jones,
Kelley,

Messrs. Kelton,
Kerr,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McCahen,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Morris,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Rubcam,
Savage,
Server,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Walsh,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

The call for the meeting was read.

Mr. Kelley

Presented a Petition for Market Houses in South Eleventh Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council, that they had concurred in the Bill, entitled,
"An Ordinance to make an additional appropriation to

the Board of Guardians of the Poor, for the expenses of that Department for the balance of the year 1858."

With the following amendments, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend the Second Section, in the 7th line, (Item 5) by striking out "2200," and inserting "1500."

Also, in the 8th line, (Item 6) by striking out "350," and inserting "200."

Also, in the 79th line, (Item 136) by striking out "180," and inserting "90."

Also, at the end of the section, by striking out "\$47,595 00," and inserting "\$46,655 00." *Provided, that no part of Item 2 shall be drawn upon for the supply of beef or mutton, under alleged existing contracts, nor shall any part of the said Item be drawn upon, until sealed proposals shall be received for the supply of beef and mutton, said proposals to be opened in presence of the Guardians of the Poor, and the Committee of Poor of City Councils.*

Amend Section 3, in the 3d line, by striking out the word "audit," and inserting "approve."

Amend the 1st Section, in the 4th line, by striking out the words "balance of the." Also, in the 4th and 5th lines, by striking out the words, "*caused by the insufficiency of the annual appropriation,*" and inserting the words, "*since July 5, 1858.*"

Also, in the same section, in the 2d line, by striking out "forty-seven thousand five hundred and ninety-five," and inserting "*forty-six thousand six hundred and fifty-five.*"

Mr. Gordon

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the amendments to said Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The first amendment to Section 2, was agreed to.

The second amendment was agreed to.

The third amendment was agreed to.

The fourth amendment having been read,

Mr. Gordon

Moved to non-concur.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to amend the amendment of Select Council, by striking out all after the words, "under alleged existing contracts," and inserting "until those contracts have been thoroughly investigated by a Joint Select Committee of Councils, and the Committee shall report that the contracts were entered into in due form, and are, in every respect, just."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to further amend by adding the following:

And Provided further, that nothing in this proviso, shall prevent the payment of such Bills for beef and mutton, contracted for previous to October 31, 1858.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Gordon and Morris.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Brenan, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Cooper, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Fish, Fisher, French, Gamble, Gillingham, Gordon, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Kelton, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, Manuel, Miller George B., Morris, Pugh, Rubicam, Savage, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Carson, Day, Ellis, Gay, Kelley, Kerr, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Potter, Steelling, Thompson, Wright.

Yeas, 35. Nays, 17.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The amendment of Select Council, as amended, was agreed to.

The first amendment to the Third Section was agreed to.

The second amendment to the Third Section, was agreed to.

The first amendment to the First Section was agreed to.

The second amendment to the First Section was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred, with the foregoing amendments.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City.”

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was read.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend by striking out Item 3, as follows: To Thomas W. Price, for Books, Stationery, &c., furnished the Court of Quarter Sessions, the Court of Common Pleas, the District Courts, the Supreme Court, and the County Commissioners' Office, from August 14, 1856, to February 15, 1858, two thousand and forty-three dollars and twenty-four cents.

Which was not agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Manuel

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Potter

Moved to suspend the orders of the day and proceed to the consideration of a Bill from Select Council, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Board of Health.”

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Potter

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to reconsider the vote on the final passage of the Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to pay certain claims against the City,” and asked the unanimous consent of Council, to amend by adding in Item 3, after the words “Commissioners’ Office, the words “Recorder of Deeds.”

Which was agreed to.

And the Amendment was agreed to, by unanimous consent.

The Bill was then read a third time by its Title, and passed.

Council then resumed the consideration on second reading of the Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, ‘An Ordinance to regulate Passenger Railways,’ ” approved July 7, 1857.

The pending question being the motion of Mr. Mascher, to strike out the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth lines, being paragraph Fourth, of the First Section of the Bill, to wit:

“4th. That no car shall be placed on, or run upon any Passenger Railway, on the day of the week commonly known as Sunday.”

The yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Dickinson.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Brenan, Brown, Bullock, Conrad William, Cooper, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Gamble, Kelley, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Miller George B., Server, Simon, Smedley, Walsh, Wister, Wright.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Bowker, Carson, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Dennis, Fish, Fisher, French, Gay, Gillingham, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Rubicam, Savage, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Trego, *President*.

Yeas, 24. Nays, 33.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The President

Submitted the following:—

Philadelphia, October 25, 1858.

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Exhibitions of the Franklin Institute, respectfully ask that you will visit the present exhibition of American Mechanic Arts.

Your obedient servant,

JOHN E. ADDICKS,

Chairman.

Mr. Mascher

Moved that the invitation be accepted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dickinson

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, October 28, 1858.

Council met.

Members present.

Messrs. Andress,
Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Fish,
Fisher,
French,
Fitler,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,

Messrs. Handy,
Harbert,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Hunter,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McCahen,
McClean,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,

Messrs. Shermer,
Schoch,
Simon,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,

Messrs. Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Willey,
Wister,
Wright,

Trego, *President.*

The President

Submitted the following Communication :

*To the Hon. the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—At a stated meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Fire Department, held this evening, the following Preamble and Resolutions were unanimously adopted :

Whereas, It having been customary for the City and District authorities to make the annual appropriations to the Fire Department, in the month of July, the Companies regulated their obligations of debt to become due and payable on, or about the first day of July; but the present City Councils, for reasons unaccountable to this Board, have delayed the appropriations until it has resulted in serious inconvenience and annoyance ; be it therefore

Resolved, That the creditors of the Fire Department are entitled to the same consideration as those of other branches of the public service ; we therefore respectfully, but earnestly, appeal to the authorities for the immediate passage of the Ordinance making the appropriation to this Department, for the year almost expired.

Resolved, That the policy of reducing wages after the service or labor has been performed, would not be permitted in private transactions ; we deem it unjust, that the Companies composing the Fire Department, should be curtailed of that portion of revenue designed to pay expenses already incurred ; we therefore urge upon the City Councils, the necessity of making the appropriations for the current year the same as in former years, and if any reduction is

to be made, that it may be done at such time as will enable the Companies to prepare for it.

By order of the Board,

EDWIN F. MILLER,

Oct. 25, 1858.

Secretary F. D.

The following Message was received from the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, October 28, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolution, have been approved and signed, viz:

On the 22nd inst., An Ordinance to widen the footways on Moyamensing Avenue, from Greenwich to Mifflin Streets.

On the 23rd inst., A Resolution transferring certain items of appropriation to the Board of Health.

On the 26th inst., An Ordinance to fix certain revised line and grade regulations.

On the 27th inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Guardians of the Poor, for the expenses of that Department for the balance of the year 1858.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Also,

A Petition for sheds at the end of the Wharton Market.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Krider

Presented a large number of Remonstrances against the removal of the Market Houses from Market Street.

Which were referred to the Special Committee on that subject.

Also,

A Petition for gas pipes on Baring Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Works.

Also,

A Petition for Market Houses on South Eleventh Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Baird

Presented a Bill from Wm. B. Atkinson, M. D., for medical services at the Fifth Ward Station House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Heins

Presented a Petition from William Kirg, for the re-funding of overpaid taxes on a lot of ground on George Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Harbert

Presented a Petition for Market Houses on South Eleventh Street.

Mr. Bobb

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Mr. Shermer

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Luther

Presented a Petition for the approval of the house of the Schuylkill Hose Company, as a suitable location for a Steam Fire Engine.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Case

Presented a Petition from Lewis B. Lent, for the use of the lamp post at the corner of Eighth and Walnut.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Moyer

Presented a Bill of Beatty & Hubbs, for stone delivered to the Nineteenth Ward Station House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Brown

Presented a Petition for the approval of the house of the Northern Liberty Fire Company, as a location for a Steam Fire Engine.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

Mr. Wister

Presented a Petition for a lamp on Little Washington Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Brown

Presented a Petition for water pipes on Salmon Street, between York and Cumberland Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Eckfeldt

Presented a Petition for lamps on Columbia Avenue, and on Twenty-first and Twenty-second Streets adjacent thereto.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Uber

Presented a Remonstrance against the removal of the Markets from Market Street.

Which was referred to the Special Committee on that subject.

Mr. Hacker,

From the Committee on Finance, presented a Report with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to authorize a temporary loan.” (*See Appendix No. 148.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

On the final passage of the Bill, the yeas and nays were ordered in conformity with law, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Andress, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Case, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Day, Doerr, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Enyard, Fish, Fisher, French, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, Hacker, Handy, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manderfield, McBride, McCahen, Megary, Miller George B., Moyer, Potter, Riley, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Shermer, Simon, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brenan, Kelley, Mascher, McClean, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Walsh.

Yeas 56. Nays 7.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. Hacker,

From the same Committee, presented a further report with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of Robert Neal." (*See Appendix No. 149.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Cooley,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution

To ensure priority in the payment of City Warrants.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Treasurer be and is hereby instructed and required to pay all duly authenticated

warrants in the order in which they may be presented ; and that, should any such warrant or warrants be presented, and for which he has not sufficient funds in the Treasury, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to have the same recorded in a book kept for that purpose, which entry or entries shall be numbered, and the warrants themselves shall be numbered to correspond with the entries in the book, so as to ensure priority in the payment of the first recorded warrant or warrants, as the Treasurer may have funds to meet the same.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time, and not agreed to.

Mr. Potter,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a Resolution restoring the name of Franklin Place, together with a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to transfer an item of appropriation." (*See Appendix No. 150.*)

The request of the Committee was granted.

Mr. Potter

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Jones,

From the Committee on Police, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution transfer-

ring certain items of appropriation to the Department of Police." (*See Appendix No. 151.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Moyer,

From the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, presented a Report, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution suspending the Hope and Franklin Engine Companies." (*See Appendix No. 152.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson,

From the Committee on Surveys, &c., presented a Report with a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to alter the grade of Leiper Street, in the Twenty-third Ward." (*See Appendix No. 153.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Gordon,

From the Committee on Poor, presented a Report with a Bill, which had been referred to that Committee, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to pay certain bills contracted by the Guardians of the Poor, in excess of the annual appropriation, and contracted

for principally previous to July, 1858, with sundry amendments." (*See Appendix No. 154.*)

The First Section was read a second time.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved to strike out the words, "Item 102. For the erection of a stone two-story building in the Alms House grounds, for manufacturing purposes, \$2,650;" and "Item 103. For the purchase of tools, &c., for quarrying stone in the Alms House property by the inmates."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to amend by adding the following as a proviso to appropriation in Item No. 102:

Provided, That the Guardians of the Poor shall advertise for sealed proposals for the erection and complete finish of said building in accordance with the plans and specifications for the building, and the contract awarded to the lowest and best bidder, who shall give security for the faithful performance of the same; and no contract shall be entered into for a larger amount than the amount herein appropriated. The contractor to have all the labor of the Alms House that he may be able to use in the erection of the same.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Handy

Moved to strike out Items 6, 7, 24, 25, 26, 27, 35, 36, for the payment of bills for carriage hire.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Jones

Moved to strike out "Item 30, to Francis D. Mower, salaries and office rent, Tenth District, \$85 00."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Handy

Moved to strike out "Item 63, C. V. Schlater, arrears of salary, \$110 41."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hacker

Moved to strike out "Item 91, W. P. & G. W. Hacker, for Bowls, \$18 00."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Handy

Moved to strike out so much of the Bill as refers to appropriations for the payment of Bills for brandy, wine and other liquors.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to strike out \$11, 916 36, and insert \$10,289 20 in the second line.

Which was agreed to.

The First Section as amended was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

On the final passage of the Bill, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Manderfield.

And were as follows:

YEAS. — Messrs. Andress, Brenan, Bobb, Bowker, Case, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper,

Dennis, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fisher, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Manuel, McBride, Megary, Miller George B., Moyer, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Savage, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Handy, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McClean, McIlvain, Nippes, Schoch, Wetherill.

Yeas 56. Nays 10.

So the Bill passed.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to appoint a Joint Special Committee of five to investigate the contract of John Jones for the supply of beef and mutton at the Alms House, under the Proviso to the Ordinance to make an additional appropriation to the Board of Guardians to the Poor, for the expenses of that Department for the balance of the year 1858.

Which was agreed to.

The President

Announced that he had appointed Messrs. Dennis, H. Miller, Mascher, Andress, and Day, the Committee under the Resolution.

Mr. Steelling

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that a joint special Committee of three members of each Chamber, be appointed to inquire into the propriety and practicability of requiring that all

stone coal sold and delivered in this City, shall be weighed at the place of delivery, and report to this Chamber at an early date.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The President

Appointed, as the Committee under the Resolution, Messrs. Steelling, Thompson, and Fisher.

Mr. Wetherill,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

To direct Passenger Railways to cover the gutters with iron plates.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be requested to instruct all Passenger Railways to have the iron plates covering the gutters at the intersections of the streets, extended to the curb, so that accidents may thereby be prevented.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Bowker,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor be authorized to have an alarm bell placed in the cupola of the Manayunk Station House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Wister,

From the Committee of Law of this Council, to whom had been referred the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance requiring the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to furnish the City Solicitor with measurements and descriptions of property against which claims are to be filed," presented a Report, with the original Bill annexed, with amendments. (*See Appendix No. 155.*)

The First Section was read a second time.

Mr. Gay

Moved to strike out the word "ten," and insert "fifteen."

Which was agreed to.

The First Section as amended was adopted.

The Second Section was adopted.

The Title was adopted.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Wister

Moved to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed.

Select Council informed Council, that, in compliance with the request of Common Council to return the bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Health," they herewith return the same.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to reconsider the vote upon this Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill being again under consideration,

The same gentleman

Asked unanimous consent to offer an amendment without going into committee of the whole.

Which was granted.

Mr. Steelling

Then moved to amend the first and only section of the Bill, by striking out the words, "a lot of ground on Stiles Street," and inserting, "lots of ground on Stiles and Cabot Streets."

Which was agreed to.

The Section as amended was agreed to.

And the Bill was prepared for a third reading.

It was then read a third time, and passed.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Reso-

lution to transfer certain items of appropriation to the Department for supplying the City with Water."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

The same gentleman

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of a Resolution from Select Council, entitled, "Resolution to pay certain bills therein named."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. Wagner

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the vacant market spaces on Girard Avenue, from the east side of Broad Street, to the west side of Frankford Road be, and the same is hereby dedicated to the use of farmers for the sale of their produce, and that they occupy with their wagons the north side of said Avenue, between the months of November and April, and the south side between the months of May and October.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Hutchinson

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Select Council be respectfully requested to return a certain Ordinance, reported by the

Committee on Surveys and Regulations, October 7, 1858, entitled, "An Ordinance, to authorize the construction of certain culverts in the Ninth, Tenth, Seventeenth, and Twentieth Wards, which Ordinance was on second reading only in Common Council.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Moyer

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the amendment of Select Council to a Resolution entitled, "Resolution expelling the Mcyamensing Hose Company from the Fire Department.

Which was agreed to.

The amendments having been read,

Mr. Kelley

Moved to concur.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Steelling, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Brenan, Brown, Cooley, Day, Dickinson, Gillingham, Gordon, Heins, Hunter, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Manuel, McBride, McCahen, McClean, McIlvain, Megary, Moyer, Pugh, Schoch, Thompson, Walsh, Trego, *President*.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bobb, Bowker, Case, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooper, Eckfeldt, Ellis, Fish, Fitler, French, Gamble, Gheen, Haas, Hacker, Hodgdon, Jones, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Mascher, Miller Geo. B., Miller Hiram, Nippes, Potter, Riley, Rubicam, Server, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wagner, Wetherill, Wildey, Wister.

Yeas, 26. Nays, 37.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Gillingham, seconded by Mr. Manual,

Moved to reconsider the vote on the Fourth Clause in the Bill entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to regulate Passenger Railways.”

Mr. Megary

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the motion to reconsider for the present.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the motion to reconsider, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Rubicam, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Brenan, Brown, Conrad Osborn, Conrad William, Cooper, Day, Dickinson, Ellis, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Mascher, McBride, McCahen, McIlvain, Megary, Miller Geo. B., Server, Schoch, Smedley, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright.

NAYS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Bowker, Case, Cattell, Cooley, Dennis, Eckfeldt, Fish, Fitler, French, Gay, Gordon, Haas, Haeker, Harbert, Heins, Hodgdon, Hunter, Jones, Kelton, Ketcham, Krider, Manuel, McClean, Miller Hiram, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Riley, Rubicam, Simons, Steelling, Thompson, Uber, Wagner, Trego, *President*.

Yeas, 28. Nays, 37.

So the motion to reconsider was not agreed to.

Mr. Jones

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Markets be requested to furnish Councils with an account of the annual income received from rent of stalls, &c., and expenses of market houses in Market Street, for each of the last five years. Also, of the rents received for the market house, corner of Broad and Race, with its expenses, since its purchase by the City.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wister

Offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That immediately after the reading of the Journal, at the next stated meeting of this chamber, the Bills upon the President's table, in the order of their date, shall be the special order, and continue so, until disposed of.

Which was read a second time.

Mr. H. Miller

Moved to amend, by striking out the words, "in the order of their date."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Smedley

Read in his place and presented to the Chair a Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to confirm the title to certain real estate in the City of Philadelphia.”

Which was referred to the Committee on City Property.

Mr. Gordon

Offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Trusts be, and he is hereby requested to furnish to Councils, without unnecessary delay, a full statement of all trusts under his charge, giving a debtor and creditor account of each trust separately from the beginning; setting forth, first, the original amount of each trust in money or property, with all its accumulations of interest, &c., how and when invested, and how expended; and, especially in regard to the Franklin Trust, setting forth the original amount with its accumulations and how invested, and how expended; with the names of all who have ever received loans from said fund, the names of such as have returned the loans with interest, and the names of those who are indebted to the said trust, with the amounts of principal and interest, and also the names of the securities.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council, that they had concurred in the amendments of Common Council to Select Council Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to change the place of holding the elections in the Fourth Division of the Fifth Ward, and the Third Division of the Twenty-first Ward."

Also, that they have concurred in the Resolution of Common Council, entitled, "Resolution authorizing advertisements for proposals for the construction of certain Culverts."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "A Resolution to inquire into the expediency of creating a Paid Fire Department," and that the President has appointed on the Committee contemplated on the part of Select Council, Messrs. Williams, Neal, Bradford, Cornman, and Parker.

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to notify the property owners on Franklin Street to pave the footways."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to appoint a Committee to confer with the Engineer of the Gas Works," that the President has appointed on the Committee on the part of Select Council, Messrs. Beideman, Read, and Davis.

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works, to place fire plugs in the grounds of the Pennsylvania Insane Hospital."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to request the Port Wardens to examine into certain obstructions in the Delaware River."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance for the suppression of nuisances."

Also, that they have receded from their amendment to Common Council Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance making an appropriation to the Companies composing the Fire Department."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution reinstating the Niagara Hose Company in the Fire Department."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution suspending the Franklin Hose Company."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation for repairs to the Permanent Bridge."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of Branch Culverts or Drains," with the following amendments, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend the First Section, in the Fifth line, by striking out the words "a majority of the."

Amend the Second Section, in the third line, by inserting after the word "diameter," the words "which shall have been approved by the Committee on Surveys and Regulations."

Also, in the fourth line, by inserting after the word "times," the words "to wit: once a week for three successive weeks."

Also, in the same line, by striking out "two," and inserting the word "three."

Also, in the seventh line, by striking out the words "and best," after "lowest."

Also, at the end of Section First, the following, to wit: "Provided that it may be lawful for the owner or owners, of property along the line of any street to construct a culvert under the authority here given, and to employ such person or persons as they may think proper for that purpose. Provided further, that the work shall be done under the supervision of the Highway Department; and in conformity with plans to be furnished by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and that such culvert when finished shall become the property of the City without condition; and provided further, that the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, shall make a report to Councils of all or any applications for the construction of culverts, which have not been approved by them."

Amend the Third Section by striking out all after the word "Highways."

Amend the Fourth Section, by inserting after the words "responsible for," the words "for the faithful observance of."

Amend the Sixth Section, by striking out all after the words "ways to," and inserting the words "withhold award-

ing such contract, until authorized by an appropriation from Councils for such purpose."

Amend further, by striking out the Eighth Section.

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City."

Also, in the amendments of Common Council to Select Council Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Health."

Also, in the Resolution of Common Council, entitled, "Resolution to proceed with the Survey and Regulation of a portion of the late Townships of Kingsessing and Blockley."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to repave and tramway certain streets."

With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence:

Amend, by striking out "Chief Commissioner of Highways," and inserting, "Highway Department."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to pave and tramway Fennimore Street."

With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence:

Amend, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on Fennimore Street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward, are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver to be approved by the Highway Department, who shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in said streets before the paving is begun."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to grade certain streets."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to authorize notice to be given of the intended opening of certain streets."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to pave Brown Street."

With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence :

Amend, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on Brown Street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward, are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver, to be approved by the Highway Department, who shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in said streets before the paving is begun."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the paving of Clinton and other streets. With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting the following, to wit:

"That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on the following named streets, viz:—Clinton St., from Master to Putnam Streets, in the Seventeenth Ward; Prime St., from the River Delaware to Swanson St., in the Second Ward; Twenty-first Street, from Shippen to South Streets, in the First Ward; Thouran Street, from Diamond Street to Susquehanna Avenue, in the Nineteenth Ward; Wharton Street, from Tenth Street to Passyunk Road, in the First Ward; Twenty-second Street, from Callowhill to Spring Garden, in the Fifteenth Ward; and Brown Street, from Twenty-second to Twenty-fourth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward: are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver, to be approved by the Highway Department, who

shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in said streets before the paving is begun."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the repaving of Gilbert and Northrop Streets." With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend, in the fourth and fifth lines, by striking out the words, "Chief Commissioner of Highways," and inserting the words, "Highway Department."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution relative to cleansing the streets of the City." With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence.

Amend, by adding at the end thereof the following, to wit:

"And the Highway Department be, and they are hereby required to open (in the presence of the Committee on Highways) the proposals for cleansing the streets, now in the office; said proposals to be reported to Councils, with those awarded for confirmation at their next meeting, after which the authority given in the first part of this Resolution shall cease and determine."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to open Fourth Street, from Oxford to Cadwallader Streets."

Also, that, in pursuance of a Resolution, the President of Select Council has appointed on the Joint Special Committee to investigate the Beef and Mutton Contract with John Jones, Messrs. Nathans, Neal, Norman, Bringham, and Benton.

Also, informing Council that in compliance with a Resolution they herewith return a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize the construction of certain culverts or drains on the lines of Girard Avenue, Arch Street, Jefferson Street, Fifteenth Street, and Race Street, in the Ninth, Tenth, Seventeenth, and Twentieth Wards.

Also, that they have passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to instruct the City Solicitor to put N. T. Barroux, the present Commissioner of Market Houses, elect, in possession of certain books."

Also, that they have passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution relating to quorum of Committees."

Also, that they have passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution giving authority to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to direct the Chief Engineer to suspend Fire Companies."

Also, that they have passed a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to enter satisfaction upon the bonds of the Supervisors of the Twentieth Ward."

Also, that they insist in their amendments to the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to authorize the Second and Third Street Passenger Railway Company, to construct a branch road on Shackamaxon and Penn Streets."

Also, that they have adhered to the amendment of Select Council to Common Council Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the paving of Twentieth and other streets."

Also, that they have adhered to the amendments of Select Council to Common Council Resolution, entitled, "Resolution authorizing the paving of Twenty-fifth and other streets."

Also, that they have received a report from the Committee on Railroads, with a Resolution, entitled, "Resolution dissenting from the application of the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company, for permission to extend their road on Woodland and other streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward," which they have passed, and ask concurrence.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Council that they had passed a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Controllers of Public Schools, of the First School District of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of making repairs to the Normal School building."

In which they ask concurrence.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

TUESDAY, November 2, 1858.

A Special Meeting of Council was held this day, in pursuance of the following call:

TO CHARLES B. TREGO, ESQ.,
President of Common Council of Philadelphia.

DEAR SIR:—The undersigned members of Common Council, most respectfully request that you may call a meeting of this branch of the City Legislature, to be held on Tuesday next, November 2, 1858, at 3 o'clock, P. M., to consider the following business from Select Council:

An Ordinance to provide for the construction of branch culverts or drains.

Also, to consider the Ordinance for the regulation of City Passenger Railways.

And other business from Select Council.

Jos. Manuel, Jr.,	I. H. Pugh,
Robert Kelton,	Thos. Manderfield,
Wm. L. Dennis,	Myers C. Fisher,
Jos. S. Riley, Jr.,	Geo. W. Gamble,
George B. Miller,	Jno. R. Savage,
John Ketcham,	Saml. C. Andress,
Wm. Eckfeldt,	J. S. Fish,
Joseph Megary.	

WM. F. SMALL, ESQ.,
Clerk of Common Council.

SIR:—Please call a meeting of Common Council in pursuance of the foregoing request.

CHARLES B. TREGO,

Oct. 29, 1858.

President of Common Council.

Members present.

Messrs. Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Doerr,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Enyard,
Fish,
Fisher,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Harbert,
Hodgdon,
House,
Hutchinson,
Jones,

Messrs. Kelley,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Krider,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McCahen,
McDonough,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Morris,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,
Roats,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Thompson,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Willey,
Wister,
Wright,
Trego, *President.*

In pursuance of the call, Council proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of Select Council to the Bill, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to provide for the construction of Branch Culverts or Drains."

The First amendment to the First Section was concurred in.

The Second amendment to the First Section was concurred in.

The First amendment to the Second Section was concurred in.

The Second amendment to the Second Section was concurred in.

The Third amendment to the Second Section was concurred in.

The Fourth amendment to the Second Section was concurred in.

The amendment to the Third Section was concurred in.

The amendment to the Fourth Section was concurred in.

The amendment to the Sixth Section was concurred in.

The amendment striking out the Eighth Section was concurred in.

So Common Council concurred in all of the amendments of Select Council.

Council then resumed the second reading and consideration of the Bill No. 4 on Select Council file, entitled,

“An Ordinance supplementary to an Ordinance, entitled, ‘An Ordinance to regulate Passenger Railways,’ approved July 7, 1857.”

Mr. Mascher

Moved to amend the fourth clause of Section First, by inserting after the word “Railway,” the words “before 8 o’clock, A. M.”

Mr. Gordon

Moved to postpone the pending question, together with the Bill, for the present, for the purpose of taking up such other business from Select Council as may not elicit debate.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dennis

Moved to strike out the words, “A. M.,” and insert “P. M.”

Mr. Dennis

Moved a call of the house, when the following gentlemen answered to their names:

Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Brown, Bullock, Case, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Doerr, Dickinson, Ellis, Fisher, Gamble, Gheen, Gillingham, Haas, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Kersey, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McDonough, Megary, Miller George B., Morris, Server, Steelling, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright, Trego, *President*.

Mr. Wagner

Moved to adjourn.

On this question, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Wagner.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bobb, Gheen, Gordon, Kerr, Manuel, Steelling, Wagner.

NAYS.—Messrs. Brennan, Brown, Bullock, Cooper, Day, Dickinson, Ellis, Fisher, Gamble, Gillingham, House, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kersey, Manderfield, Mascher, McDonough, Megary, Miller George B., Morris, Pugh, Server, Smedley, Walsh, Wildey, Wister, Wright.

Yeas 7. Nays 27.

No quorum having voted, the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Mascher

Rose to a privileged question, and asked to make a statement.

Mr. Gordon

Objected.

Mr. Kerr

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, November 4, 1858.

Council met.

Members present:

Messrs. Baird,
Brenan,
Bobb,
Bowker,
Brown,
Bullock,
Case,
Cattell,
Conrad, Osborn,
Conrad, William,
Cooley,
Cooper,
Day,
Dennis,
Dickinson,
Eckfeldt,
Ellis,
Epler,
Fish,
Fisher,
French,
Gamble,
Gay,
Gheen,
Gillingham,
Gordon,
Haas,
Hacker,

Messrs. Harbert,
Harmer,
Heins,
Hodgdon,
Holmes,
House,
Hutchinson,
Jones,
Kelley,
Kelton,
Kerr,
Kersey,
Ketcham,
Kridner,
Luther,
Manderfield,
Manuel,
Mascher,
McBride,
McCahen,
McClean,
McDonough,
McIlvain,
Megary,
Miller, Geo. B.,
Miller, Hiram,
Mingle,
Morris,

Messrs. Moyer,
Nippes,
Potter,
Pugh,
Riley,
Rothermel,
Rubicam,
Savage,
Server,
Shermer,

Messrs. Schoch,
Simons,
Smedley,
Steelling,
Uber,
Wagner,
Walsh,
Wetherill,
Wildey,
Wister,

Wright.

In the absence of Mr. Trego, the President,

Mr. Krider

Moved that Mr. Hacker be called to the chair.

Which was agreed to.

The President

Announced that the special order of business was the consideration of unfinished business from Select Council, agreeably to a Resolution adopted at the last meeting.

Council then proceeded to the second reading and consideration of the "Resolutions authorizing an examination of the books of the Commissioner of Market Houses, pertaining to the Wharves and Landings."

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution, in reference to sealed proposals,

Was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution, relative to the accounts of Eugene Ahern,

Was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

Resolutions, to pay claims for introducing gas into the Alms House, and to transfer a balance of appropriation to Item 2,

Were read a second time.

The First Resolution was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

The Bill, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Board of Health, to pay salaries of Vaccine Physicians for the year 1858,” was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to suspend the rules, and to read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and passed finally.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution to lay water pipes in Howard and other streets, was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend by striking out the word "Jefferson" and inserting "Moyamensing."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

A Resolution to instruct the City Solicitor to put N. T. Baroux, the present Commissioner of Market Houses elect, in possession of certain books, was read a second time and adopted.

The Preamble was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

The Resolutions fixing the salary of the Superintendent of Fairmount Park, and for other purposes, were read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to strike out the word "Committee on" in the First Resolution, and insert "Commissioner of."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to strike out so much of the Resolution as provides a residence for the Superintendent.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to amend by striking out "five hundred," and inserting "three hundred and fifty."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steelling

Moved to strike out "five hundred," and insert "four hundred."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Walsh

Moved to amend, by inserting the following proviso :

Provided, That it shall be one of the principal duties of the Superintendent, to prevent the sale of any kind of malt or spirituous liquor, on any part of said park.

Which was agreed to.

The First Resolution as amended was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

An Ordinance providing for the removal of the materials contained in the Market Houses in Market Street, and also prohibiting the occupying of the side walk of said street by stands for the sale of meats, vegetables, and farm products; and also, prohibiting the standing of market wagons in said street, being under consideration.

The First Section was read,

When the following Communication was presented by the President and read :

The following Communication from the Commissioner of Markets was read :

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT OF MARKET HOUSES, }
Philadelphia, November 4, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
 Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In reply to your Resolution of October 28, requesting me to furnish information as to the income and expenses of the markets in Market Street, and Broad and Race Streets, I beg leave to inform you, that the market records for the years 1854, '58, are not in the possession of this Department; from those of 1855, '56, '57. I make the following estimate of the income and expenses of the markets in Market Street, and Broad, and Race Streets.

Income from Market Houses in Market Street	
for the year 1855,	\$19,200 00
“ 1856,	28,050 00
“ 1857,	27,250 00

Expenses incurred on account of Market Houses in Market Street, for the year 1855,	\$1,580 00
“ “ “ 1856,	1,498 00
“ “ “ 1857,	1,575 00

Income of Market Houses Broad and Race Streets, for the year 1855,	\$721 00
“ 1856,	729 00
“ 1857,	550 00

Expenses incurred on acc't of Market Houses, at Broad and Race Sts, for the year 1855,	\$2,008 00
“ “ “ 1856,	2,064 00
“ “ “ 1857,	2,100 00

Total income from Market Houses in Market Street, for the years 1855, '56, '57.	\$74,500 00
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Total expense incurred on account of Market Houses in Market Street, for 1855, '56, '57.	\$4,653 00
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Total income from Market Houses at Broad
and Race Street, for 1855, '56, '57. \$2000 00

Total expense incurred on account of Market
Houses at Broad and Race Streets for the
years 1855, '56, '57. \$6,172 00

Very respectfully, yours, &c.

N. T. BAROUX,

Commissioner.

Mr. Kelley

Moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for the present, and the foregoing Communication be printed for the use of members.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Dennis and Wildey,

And were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Baird, Bobb, Bowker, Brown, Bullock, Cattell, Conrad Osborn, Dickinson, Epler, Fish, Fisher, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Haas, Holmes, House, Jones, Kelley, Kerr, Krider, Manderfield, Manuel, Mascher, McCahen, McClean, Miller Geo. B., Miller Hiram, Mingle, Moyer, Nippes, Potter, Pugh, Server, Shermer, Schoch, Über, Wagner, Walsh, Wildey, Wright.

NAYS. — Messrs. Brennan, Conrad William, Cooley, Cooper, Day, Dennis, Eckfeldt, Ellis, French, Hacker, Harbert, Harmer, Heins, Hodgdon, Hutchinson, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Luther, McBride, McDonough, Megary, Morris, Riley, Rothermel, Rubieam, Savage, Simons, Smedley, Steelling, Wetherill, Wister.

Yeas, 43. Nays, 32.

So the motion was agreed to.

An Ordinance to make a further appropriation to the Directors of Girard College, for the purpose of completing the Infirmary building, was read a second time.

The First and only Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time, and agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution to repay Frederick Zaiss for water pipe paid for twice, was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution to transfer a certain item of appropriation made to the Department for Supplying the City with Water, was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution dissenting from the application of the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company, for permission to extend their road on Woodland and other streets in the Twenty-fourth Ward, was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to lay water pipes in Front and other streets," was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to enter satisfaction upon the bonds of the Supervisor of the Twentieth Ward, was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

Mr. McDonough,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

To Cancel the Bonds of Patrick McDonough.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be instructed to cancel the bonds of Patrick McDonough, late Supervisor of Fourth Ward, provided, his duties with the Highway Department are correct and satisfactory.

Mr. Brennan

Moved to amend by inserting after the words "Fourth Ward," the words, "and of John Kelsh, late Supervisor of the Fifth Ward." And to add at the end of the Title, the words, "and John Kelsh."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution, as amended, was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson,

On leave, on behalf of Messrs. J. H. Bonsall, and S. L. Smedley, presented a Map of the City of Philadelphia, as it was a hundred years ago.

And offered the following

Resolution:

Returning thanks for an Old Map of Philadelphia.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Map of Philadelphia, as it was one hundred years ago, this day presented by Messrs. Bonsall and Smedley, be accepted.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Select and Common Councils, be returned to Messrs. Bonsall and Smedley, for their handsome present, and that the same be placed in Independence Hall.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Resolutions from Select Council, relating to quorum of Committees, were read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to amend, by striking out the words, "two from one chamber and three from the other."

Which was agreed to.

The First Resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The Second Resolution was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred, with an amendment.

A "Resolution to repave and tramway certain streets," amended by Select Council, as follows:

Amend, by striking out "Chief Commissioner of Highways," and inserting "Highway Department,"

Being under consideration,

Mr. Gay

Moved to concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

A Resolution, "to pave and tramway Fennimore St.," amended by Select Council as follows:

Amend, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on Fennimore Street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward, are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver to be approved by the Highway Department, who shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in said streets before the paving is begun,"

Being under consideration,

Mr. Bullock

Moved to non-concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution authorizing the repaving of Gilbert and Northrop Streets, amended by Select Council as follows:

Amend, in the fourth and fifth lines, by striking out

the words, "Chief Commissioner of Highways," and inserting the words, "Highway Department,"

Being under consideration,

Mr. Gay

Moved to concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

A Resolution to pave Brown Street, amended by Select Council as follows:

Amend, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting as follows, to wit: "That the owners of property, or a majority thereof, fronting on Brown Street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward, are hereby authorized to pave the same. The contractors for the said paving shall be a competent paver, to be approved by the Highway Department, who shall enter into an obligation to keep the streets paved and in good repair for the space of two years from the time it is finished and completed; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in said streets before the paving is begun,"

Being under consideration,

Mr. Bullock

Moved to non-concur in the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gordon,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, That the City Controller be, and he is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of two hundred and

sixty-three dollars and five cents, being the balance of Item No. 78 of appropriation made to the Department of Poor for State Taxes for the year 1858, to Item No. 86.

Mr. Cooley

Moved that the Resolution be referred to the Committee on Poor.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to amend, by substituting for the Committee on Poor, the Joint Special Committee to investigate the Beef and Mutton contract with John Jones.

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

The consideration of a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Controllers of Public Schools of the First School District of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of making repairs to the Normal School building,"

Being resumed,

Mr. Gordon

Moved to refer the Bill to the Committee on Schools, from this Chamber.

Which was agreed to.

The following Communication from the City Controller was received :

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, November 3, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—I beg leave most respectfully to call your attention to an omission to state the Department from

whence the warrants shall issue for appropriations, made in an "Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City," approved November 1, 1858, and ask you to amend said Ordinance, by making it prescribe the Departments which shall draw warrants against the several items.

In Section 3 of the Ordinance above referred to, it is provided to pay Thomas W. Price, a certain amount for books, stationery, &c., furnished certain offices and courts, from August 14, 1856, to February 15, 1858. In the bills presented for audit by Mr. Price, were certain bills bearing date August 13, 1856, containing items furnished prior to August 14, 1856, say in May, June and July 1856. I decided that under the Ordinance I had no right to countersign a warrant for bills contracted prior to the date named in the Ordinance, neither could I sign a warrant for the whole amount specified in the Section, in favor of Mr. Price, unless he presented bills amounting to the sum named, as it was not the intention to vote Mr. Price a gratuity, but that for the amount specified in the Section, he was to present bills within the dates named in the Ordinance, as vouchers to be filed in this office. I would therefore have Councils to interpret this Section of the Ordinance, and if they mean it, say that I am to countersign a warrant for the amount specified in the Section, irrespective of the date, nature or character of the bills Mr. Price may present; since this seems to be the view taken of the matter by Mr. Price, the Solicitor and Chairman of the Committee on Claims, and my only desire being that my official acts may be clearly in accordance with the spirit and intention of Ordinances, under which I am presumed to be acting.

I would also most respectfully ask, that Section 4 of an Ordinance, making an additional appropriation to the Guardians of the Poor, be repealed, the Section says, "that all articles enumerated in the Second Section of this Ordinance, shall be purchased at the wholesale cash prices of said articles, and that the Controller shall not approve any bills, in which the price of articles are higher than the aforesaid wholesale cash prices."

Under this Section, I find it will be difficult if not impossible for me to audit any bills, purchased prior to the

approval of this Ordinance. The term "wholesale cash prices is ambiguous," it may mean in dry goods bought by the piece in a retail store, in a jobbing house, or of a commission merchant; whiskey, brandy and wine, have prices varying with the quality, whiskey is quoted from twenty-five cents, to three dollars; brandy from two dollars seventy-five cents, to ten dollars per gallon; drugs and medicines are bought in smaller quantities than the original packages, and no one can or does retail goods at wholesale cash prices. Some bills are now in this Department for goods furnished two or three months prior to the passage of this Ordinance, but there is nothing in the Ordinance requiring samples of goods to be furnished to me, and if there was, how am I to get samples of goods which have been consumed? I am persuaded that the Section cannot attain the object intended by Councils, and its only effect is to embarrass this Department, as well as those who have furnished supplies to the Guardians of the Poor. I therefore most respectfully ask of you to reconsider your action, and modify or repeal the Section, so that the Controller may countersign the warrants upon the parties having claims, being qualified that the charges made are fair and honest.

Very respectfully yours,

GEORGE W. HUFTY,

Controller.

Mr. Wetherill

Moved that so much of the communication as refers to the claim of Thomas W. Price, be referred to the Committee on Claims; and so much of it as refers to the Guardians of the Poor, to the Committee on Poor.

Which was agreed to.

A "Resolution from Select Council, to enter satisfaction on the bond of John Lair," was read a second time and adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred.

A Resolution from Select Council, in reference to street nomenclature, was read a second time.

Mr. Kelley

Moved to strike out the words "Committee on Highways," and insert "Committee on Surveys."

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution as amended, was adopted.

The Title was agreed to.

So Common Council concurred, with an amendment.

The following Communication from the City Controller was received :

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, Nov. 4, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN;—I herewith transmit the estimates of the Receipts and Expenditures of the several Departments of the City Government, for the year 1859, so far as the same have been received at this Department.

Departments.	Expenses.	Receipts.
Department to Supply Water,	\$164,850 00	\$500,000 00
“ of Surveys,	29,450 00	
“ City Treasurer,	10,350 00	314,100 00
“ “ Interest,	1,140,000 00	
“ Police,	389,950 00	350 00
“ Receiver of Taxes,	16,400 00	
“ City Ice Boat,	12,400 00	
“ Commissioners of Sinking Fund,	241,074 00	78,515 00
“ Highways,	424,900 00	25,450 00
“ Law,	35,500 00	
“ City Commissioners,	183,757 27	
“ Inspectors of Prisons,	59,486 50	
“ City Property,	77,076 00	22,493 14
“ City Controller,	17,335 00	

The following Departments have not reported according to law: Clerks of Councils, Commissioner of Markets

and Wharves and Landings, Fire Department, Department of Public Schools, Guardians of Poor, Board of Health, and Department of Trusts.

Yours, very respectfully,

GEORGE W. HUFTY,

Controller.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following Communication was received from the Chief Engineer :

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
November 4, 1858. }

*To the Hon. the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—At a stated meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Fire Department, held on Monday Evening, the 25th ult., the following Resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That this Board do most earnestly request the City Councils of Philadelphia, to appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars as an especial appropriation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of this Board.

(Extract from the minutes.)

By order of the Board,

E. F. MILLER,

Secretary F. D.

Which was referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

The following Communication was received from the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, November 4, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The following Ordinances and Joint Resolutions have been approved and signed, viz :

On the 1st inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation for repairs to the Permanent Bridge.

On the 1st inst., An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution to proceed with the survey and regulation of a portion of the late townships of Kingessing and Blockley.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution authorizing advertisements for proposals for the construction of certain culverts.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution to notify property owners on Franklin Street to pave the footways.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Water Works to place fire plugs.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution to open Fourth Street, from Oxford to Cadwallader Streets.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution to authorize notice to be given of the intended opening of certain streets.

On the 1st inst., A Resolution to grade certain streets.

On the 4th inst., A Resolution removing the suspension of the Niagara Hose Company.

On the 4th inst., An Ordinance for the suppression of nuisances.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Which was laid on the table.

The following Communication was received from the City Treasurer :

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, November 4, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—From the Secretary of the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company I have received a Communication in regard to the subject of a final transfer of the works of said Company to the City of Philadelphia, of which the enclosed is a copy.

The City has an interest in said Works, of one hundred and eighty-five shares of stock, the par value of which is ten dollars per share.

Very respectfully,

WM. V. McGRATH,

City Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE S. AND M. GAS CO., }
Philadelphia, Oct. 26, 1858. }

SIR :—A meeting of the Stockholders of the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company will be held on Thursday,

November 11, 1858, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Southwark Library, No. 765 South Second Street.

Special attendance is requested, as the subject of a final transfer of the Works of this Company to the City of Philadelphia, will be submitted to the decision of the Stockholders.

The Report of the Joint Committee of the Board of Directors and Stockholders on the sale of the Works, will also be presented.

WM. C. HARRIS,

Secretary.

A true copy. •

F. B. NIMOCKS.

Mr. Kelley

Offered the following

Resolution:

Relative to the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Treasurer be appointed to represent the City at the meeting of the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company, to be held November 11, and that he be instructed to vote in favour of the sale of the property of the Southwark and Moyamensing Gas Company, on the terms of the Ordinance approved May 10, A. D., 1858.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Wetherill,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Health be requested to return to this Chamber, the Resolution in regard to insuring the buildings at the Lazaretto, and that the same be referred to the Committee on City Property.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Gay,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that it shall be the duty of Petitioners to have water pipes laid in any of the streets of the City Philadelphia, to accompany each Petition with a certificate from the Department of Surveys, that the street has been opened according to law, or the soil dedicated to the City, and they shall state as near as possible the number of feet wanted, what front they own, and their residence.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Heins,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution :

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the name of "Cox" Street from Seventeenth to Eighteenth Street, in the Seventh Ward be and the same is hereby changed to "Delancey" Street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Mr. Manderfield,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution :

Relative to laying a water main.

Whereas, numerous Petitions have been presented to Councils, by the citizens of the southeastern section of the City of Philadelphia, complaining of the scarcity of water from the month of May to the month of November; and whereas, we deem the present the proper time, for some action to be taken thereon; therefore,

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, "That the Chief Engineer of the Department for supplying the City with water, be directed and is hereby required, to give his opinion as to the propriety of having a two feet main, laid from the water works, along Eighth, Ninth, or any other suitable street, as far south as Reed Street; said main not to be tapped north of Shippen Street."

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Mr. Bowker,

On leave, offered the following

Resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Markets be, and they are hereby requested to inquire into the expediency of providing for the erection of a market house in the late Borough of Manayunk, in the Twenty-first Ward, together with Girard Avenue, between Third and Laurence Streets, and also in West Philadelphia, and also in South Eleventh below Catharine, and also three squares in Jefferson Avenue, and also in New Market Street.

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Gordon

Moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of considering Bill No. 10, on Common Council file, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to authorize the Commissioner of City Property to make certain alterations and repairs in the public buildings."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bullock

Presented a Petition for a gas lamp at the corner of Spruce and Northrop Streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Also,

The following Communication from Wm. H. Kern, Sheriff:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, }
November 4, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—At the last session of the Legislature, an act was passed, entitled, “An Act establishing a mode of selecting and drawing Jurors in and for the City and County of Philadelphia,” [P. L. 1858, p. 354.] by which a new system of selecting and drawing Jurors is established. The time for acting under the provisions of this law is near at hand.

I am of opinion, that new, better, and more secure wheels are necessary, and that a proper and convenient place for securely keeping the same, must be provided; for all which, and other necessary and unavoidable expenses in carrying out said act, an appropriation by Councils is indispensable.

I would, therefore, respectfully call the attention of your honorable bodies to the subject, and ask that a sufficient appropriation be made to cover the necessary expenses of the Board, and the Sheriff, under said Act of Assembly.

I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM H. KERN,

Sheriff.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Potter

Presented a Communication from the tenant of Lemon Hill, asking damages sustained by his ejection from that property.

Which was referred to the Committee on City Property.

Mr. Dickinson

Presented a Petition asking that Girard Avenue east of Howard Street, may be made a stand for market wagons.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Manuel

Presented a Bill of John Forepaugh for filling cellars in Morris City, of \$79 12 1-2 cents.

Which was referred to the Committee on Health.

Mr. Smedley

Presented several Petitions for the better supply of water in the Twenty-third Ward.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also,

A Petition for fluid lamps in Bridesburg and White Hall, Twenty-third Ward.

Mr. Savage

Presented a Petition of similar import.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Wetherill

Presented a Petition for an improvement to a bridge over Poquessing Creek and repairs to same.

Mr. Riley

Presented a Petition for the grading of Spruce Street west of Till Street in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Which were referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Haas

Presented a Petition for the opening of Willow Grove Avenue, from Germantown Turnpike to the Township line Road.

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Mr. Potter,

From the Committee on Finance, presented a Report with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of John Abel." (*See Appendix No. 156.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

The same gentleman

Presented a further Report from the same Committee, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to pay the expenses of contested election cases." (*See Appendix No. 157.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

The First Section was agreed to.

The Second Section was agreed to.

The Title was agreed to.

And the Bill was ordered to be prepared for a third reading.

Mr. Gay

Moved to suspend the rules, and read the Bill a third time by its Title.

Which was agreed to.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Potter,

From the same Committee, presented a further Report, with a Resolution annexed, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of Charles Oat." (*See Appendix No. 158.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The Resolution was read a second time and adopted.

Mr. Potter,

From the same Committee, presented a further Report, with four Bills annexed, entitled,

1. "An Ordinance requiring the Departments to balance their Books, and furnish statements, at the expiration of each and every fiscal year."

2. "An Ordinance to further define the duties of the Receiver of Taxes."

3. "An Ordinance requiring the Sheriff of the County of Philadelphia, to pay certain money collected by him on account of the City, into the City Treasury."

4. "An Ordinance to regulate the issuing of Warrants in part payment of contracts." (*See Appendix No. 159.*)

And moved that the Bills be laid on the table, and printed for the use of members.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bullock,

From the Committee on Highways, presented a Report, with a Bill annexed, entitled,

“AN ORDINANCE

to make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City; to pay certain road damages in certificates of City debt, together with a Resolution, entitled, ‘Resolution to authorize the paving of certain streets, and grading at Girard Avenue, Twenty-fourth Ward. (*See Appendix No. 140.*)

And moved to proceed to the second reading and consideration of the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

‘The First Section was read.

Mr. Heins

Moved to adjourn.

On this motion the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Mascher and Megary.

And were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Brennan, Bobb, Brown, Case, Cooley, Dennis, Fisher, Haas, Heins, Kelton, Kersey, Ketcham, Krider, Luther, Mascher, McClean, McIlvain, Megary, Moyer, Nippes.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bowker, Bullock, Conrad Osborn, Dickinson, Eckfeldt, Ellis, French, Gamble, Gay, Gheen, Gillingham, Gordon, Hacker, Harbert, Hodgdon, Holmes, Hutchinson, Kelley, Kerr, Manderfield, Manuel, Miller Geo. B., Potter, Pugh, Riley, Simons, Smedley, Uber, Wagner.

Yeas, 20. Nays, 29.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The consideration of the Bill was resumed.

Mr. Kelley

Called for the reading of the First Section again.

The Section was read.

A message was received from Select Council, informing Common Council that they had concurred in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution directing the revision of grades in the Twenty-fourth Ward."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to repave and tramway Budd Street, in the Seventh Ward."

With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence:

Amend, in the fourth line, by striking out "Commissioner of Highways," and inserting "Highway Department."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to notify the property owners on Haverford Street to grade footways, and to authorize the grading of certain streets.

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance for the repair of a small bridge and a road in the Twenty-third Ward."

With the following amendment, in which they ask concurrence:

Amend the First Section in the 18th and 19th lines, by striking out "Chief Commissioner of Highways," and inserting the words, "Department of Highways."

Also, in the amendment of Common Council to Select Council Resolution, entitled, "Resolution in reference to street nomenclature."

Also, that they have concurred in the amendment of Common Council to the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution fixing the salary of the Superintendent of Fairmount Park, and other purposes."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution approving the sureties of Robert Neal."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution transferring certain items of appropriation to the Department of Police."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution making an appropriation to finish grading Bridge Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution directing a change of grade regulations on Leiper Street, in the Twenty-third Ward."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution suspending the Hope and Franklin Engine Companies."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to pay certain bills contracted by the Guardians of the Poor, in excess of the annual appropriation, and contracted for principally previous to July, 1858, and for the erection of a stone building for manufacturing purposes, &c."

With the following amendments, in which they ask concurrence :

Amend the 1st Section, by striking out item 69, as follows, to wit :

"69. M. Henszey, 32 00."

Also, amend, by striking out items 102 and 103.

Amend, in the 2d line, by striking out "ten thousand two hundred and eighty-nine dollars," and inserting the words, "*seven thousand two hundred and seven dollars.*"

Amend the title by striking out the words, "*and for the erection of a stone building for manufacturing purposes, &c.*"

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution to transfer an item of appropriation."

Also, in the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to authorize a Temporary Loan."

Also, in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance for the construction of a Bridge across the River Schuylkill at Chesnut Street."

Also, that they have concurred in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution relative to the Southwark and Moya-mensing Gas Company."

Also, in the amendment, to the "Resolution relating to quorum of Committees."

Also, that they have concurred in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution returning thanks for an old map of Pailadelphia."

Also, in the Resolution, entitled, "Resolution relative to weighing coal," and that the President has appointed on said Committee, Messrs. Cornman, Foster, and Parker.

Also, that they have concurred in the "Resolution, approving the sureties of John Abel."

Also, in the "Resolution approving the sureties of Charles Oat."

Also, that they have concurred in the Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay the expenses of contested election cases."

Also, that they have concurred in the amendment to the Resolution of Select Council, entitled, "Resolution to lay water pipes in Howard and other streets."

Also, informing Council that they had passed a Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the appointment of Commissioners to digest and report a Municipal Code."

In which they ask concurrence.

Also, that they adhere in their amendments to the following Resolutions of Common Council, to wit:

In the "Resolution, expelling the Moyamensing Hose Company from the Fire Department."

In the "Resolution to pave Brown Street."

In the "Resolution to pave and tramway Fennimore Street."

Mr. Heins

Moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And Council adjourned.

APPENDIX

TO THE

JOURNAL OF COMMON COUNCIL

OF THE

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA.

MAY TO NOVEMBER, 1858.

APPENDIX

TO THE

JOURNAL OF COMMON COUNCIL.

APPENDIX No. 1.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 10th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :

A "Resolution to authorize the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company to lay the rails of their road over the Market Street Bridge," has been submitted for executive approval.

The consideration of the question involved in this resolution has been attended with much embarrassment. To interpose objections to the completion of a needed and useful public improvement, can be justified only on a clear conviction of duty. These objections should be based on a controlling principle of public policy, or in a vital defect in the principle on which such improvement originated, or by which it is to be consummated. The veto power should be exercised as a preventive or cautionary voice against hasty or immature legislation, which over zeal or over confidence in the Legislature has overlooked; or, it should be exerted in defence of the rights of the people. On whatever ground it is placed by the executive, it should owe its existence to a

fearless integrity, prompting the discharge of an unmistakable duty. Seeking to be governed only by these motives, I beg to submit to you the reasons which have required me to withhold from the resolution under consideration the executive approval required by law.

The Market Street Bridge, over the river Schuylkill, is now, and for some time to come will be, the only great viaduct over that river for the necessary demands of public travel. The number of vehicles of all kinds which daily cross this bridge, is far greater than is generally supposed. It is, in fact, the only accommodation for trade and travel out of and into the business portions of the city. That it has been so regarded for years past, suggested the necessity for a new bridge over this river, at some point not far remote from the present site. A large sum of money has been expended on plans and surveys for this needed new structure. Within the past year, several hundred dollars were appropriated in advertising for improved plans for viaduct building. Within a few days additional legislation was obtained to further this object. Public accommodation, public policy, and actual necessity, have thus united in a demand for increased facility in crossing this river. As it is now, the public require a new avenue, over which ingress and egress can be had for their business purposes. Until such an improvement is completed, it would hardly be justifiable, on any principle of legislation recognizing the equal rights of all our citizens, to devote this bridge to the special use of a single corporation. The municipal legislature has the care and custody of the rights of all citizens. It is by no means a well ascertained fact that the encouragement and developement of one peculiar use of this thoroughfare will not interfere with the general rights of all. Until this problem is solved, prudence at least will dictate that the doubt involved should be given to the rights of the many, as against the privileges of a corporation. These views are applicable to the right of the people in or over a common public highway, dedicated by all the legal forms to such use. They are eminently so in regard to the question now under consideration. The Market Street Bridge was built by a stock company—the voluntary investment of individual means to unite a public highway, interrupted

by this natural and otherwise insurmountable obstruction. The stockholders gained a remuneration for this investment by the tolls imposed on passengers. Before consolidation, the old City of Philadelphia purchased from the stockholders their rights and interests in this bridge, and relieved those passing over it from the toll heretofore required. It thus became a free bridge, owned by the City as one of its properties. How far this constituted it a highway, in a strict legal sense, need not be now discussed as material to the present point. As a property of the City, belonging to the present municipal corporation, a strong doubt is created if the City Councils can vest in any incorporated company the right to use the bridge for a special, peculiar, and exclusive mode of travel. The City owns the Water Works, and it is certainly not to be supposed that the City Councils could grant to a private corporation the right to use the water, for a special purpose, not common to all other citizens. If the use is a right, it is an equal right, to be regulated by rules common to all, and operating on all alike.

A Railway is a peculiar mode of transportation and travel, not common to all citizens. It begins in a special privilege, granted to such only as buy the stock. The benefits are gathered by the stockholders. Those who use the railway pay for it to those who have thus obtained this special privilege to transport them. The more the public is thus accommodated by using the road, the greater are the gains of the few who own its corporate franchises and privileges. There can be no doubt that a marked difference exists between a citizen who uses this bridge, by a mode of travel common to every other citizen, and this railway company, which uses it by a mode of travel exclusively its own. Legislation which fosters such an inequality is, at least, to be deliberately and carefully investigated; and, if sanctioned, it should be sanctioned by some unmistakable evidence, in a free expression of the public will.

One-half of this bridge over the Schuylkill, has already been devoted to a railway. The necessity for that road was manifest; and no one will question the propriety of its construction. But it will be remembered, that the old City

did not grant to a corporation a right thus to use this bridge. Neither the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, nor the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as far as my knowledge extends, ever successfully claimed an exclusive right over this bridge structure. On the contrary, the City of Philadelphia laid the rails, and now owns the road; and receives toll from those who use it for the right to transport passengers and tonnage. This right is common, so far as the right itself is concerned; for any and every transporter had the opportunity to use the rails, and can now use them if it was desired. There is no exclusive right in any one person, natural or corporate, to use this City Railroad, if the regulations governing that road are complied with. It will be observed that the principle of this use—common to all—is here presented. Any modification of it is affected by law; in this instance, a law of municipal origin.

There are other minor objections to the right granted by this resolution, which need not now be presented in detail. It should be observed in this connection, however, that if the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company obtains this right, every other railway company should possess it, which may have a terminus west of the Schuylkill river. If the use of the rails owned by this one Company was denied to any other incorporation, other rails must be laid, under the precedent now sought to be established. It is not impossible, by such means, to exclude every other kind of travel but that of rail cars. The principle thus involved is made more manifest by, it may be, exaggeration.

This occasion is appropriate to the expression of my decided objection to those exclusive privileges which are the offspring of special legislation. The great increase in corporate rights, privileges, and powers, is becoming a subject for serious reflection. We are fast becoming a corporation growing country. Our State Legislature devotes itself each winter to creating these irresponsible, power-accumulating monopolies. I cannot discern the distinction between one powerful corporate body and a multitude of smaller bodies of the same species, united by a common interest against just efforts to restrain or control the exercise of their powers as they grow into abuses.

It almost threw this country into a revolution when such efforts were made to destroy a mammoth moneyed corporation. The success which attended it, however, is now regarded as a most fortunate result for the whole people.

It may be equally perilous, when peradventure it is too late, to attempt to defeat this increasing family of corporations uniting their natural instincts to grasp at power, either at the cost of equal rights or popular government.

The best return I can make to those of my fellow-citizens who have favored me with their continued confidence, is to warn them against the day when such a contest is begun for municipal control.

Respectfully,

RICHARD VAUX,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

Resolution to authorize the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company to lay the rails of their road over the Market Street Bridge.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the West Philadelphia Passenger Railway Company be, and they hereby are permitted to construct their railway on the Market Street Bridge, under the supervision and the direction of the Highway Department; And the City Solicitor is hereby requested to discontinue all proceedings now pending against the said Company to prevent the construction of the said railway over the said bridge: Provided that the Company pay to the City twenty dollars per annum toll for each passenger car over said bridge.

Attest—JOHN D. MILES,

Clerk of Common Council.

JOHN MILLER,

President of Common Council.

G. M. WHARTON.

President of Select Council.

APPENDIX No. 2.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Phila., May 11th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common Council
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—Herewith I transmit Reports from the Departments of Police, Highways, Commissioner of Markets Wharves and Landings, and City Controller, and City Treasurer, Commission of City Property.

Respectfully,

RICHARD VAUX,

Mayor of Philadelphia.

To the Hon. Richard Vaux, Mayor of Philadelphia.

SIR:—I herewith present a statement of appropriation expended in the Department of Police from January 1st 1858, to May 10th 1858, inclusive, as follows.

Item.	Appropriation.	Expended.	Balance May 10th, 1858.
1	\$5,500 00	\$1,963 62	\$3,536 38
2	37,600 00	12,266 90	25,333 10
3	1,500 00	500 00	1,000 00
4	325,000 00	106,790 23	218,209 77
5	275 00	68 75	206 25
6	2,000 00	810 37	1,189 63
7	5,200 00	1,670 99	3,529 01
8	2,652 00	859 36	1,792 64
9	400 00	155 69	244 31
10	900 00	519 26	380 74
11	1,000 00	846 73	153 27
12	1,175 00	112 16	1,062 84
13	800 00	185 62	614 38
14	800 80	122 35	677 65
15	1,000 00		1,000 00
16	759 00	218 82	531 18
17	1,700 00	565 45	1,134 55
18	750 00	276 57	473 43
19	1,500 00	81 37	1,418 63
20	1,500 00	1,347 96	152 04
	<hr/> \$392,000 00	<hr/> \$129,362 20	<hr/> \$262,639 80

Certified from the Record, May 10th 1858.

WM. C. HAINES,

Pay Clerk.

Attest—JAMES D. CAMPBELL,

Mayor's Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CITY PROPERTY, }
Philadelphia, May 11th, 1858. }

To the Hon. Richard Vaux, Mayor of Philadelphia.

Sir:—In answer to your communication, dated May 8th, 1858, requesting me to furnish you with a statement of the disbursements made by this Department, from January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858, inclusive, and the unexpended balance on each item of appropriation for the year 1858, I have the honor to send you the enclosed statement, setting forth the information asked for.

Respectfully,

EUGENE AHERN,

Commissioner City Property.

AMOUNT EXPENDED BY DEPARTMENT OF CITY PROPERTY FROM
JANUARY 1st, 1858, TO MAY 10TH, 1858.

No of Item.	For what purpose.	Appropriation.	Amount Expended.	Balance.
1	Salaries of Commissioner and Messenger, . . .	2,000 00	663 64	1,336 36
2	Stationery and Office Expenses.	200 00	58 76	141 24
3	Salary of Collector and Watchman at T. W., . . .	1,160 00	386 64	773 36
4	Labor at Tobacco Warehouse,	50 00		50 00
5	Salaries of Superintendents of Halls,	2,460 00	819 96	1,640 04
6	Salaries of House Cleaners,	400 00	90 87	309 13
7	Salaries of Watchmen of State House,	2,500 00	833 20	1,666 80
8	Salaries of Watchmen at Wire Bridge,	1,000 00	333 28	666 72
9	Salaries of Watchmen in State House Steeple, . . .	1,500 00	499 92	1,000 08
10	Salaries of Superintendents in Squares,	4,700 00	1,566 64	3,133 36
11	Improvement of Fairmount Park,	2,500 00		2,500 00
12	Improvement of Norris Square,	1,000 00	952 97	47 03
13	Improvement of Hunting Park,	2,000 00	100 27	1,899 73
14	Salaries of Keepers and Regulators of Clocks, . . .	500 00	163 64	336 36
15	Rent of Office and City Law Building,	6,500 00	2,375 00	4,125 00
16	Cleaning and Repairing Clocks,	100 00	46 50	53 50
17	State Taxes,	500 00		500 00
18	Repairs and Improvements,	2,000 00	506 75	1,493 25
19	Ground Rents and Interests on Mortgages, . . .	13,267 00	4,730 06	8,636 94
20	Curbing and Paving,	400 00		400 00
21	Insurance,	15 00		15 00
22	Repairs, Cleansing, and Supplies to C. House, . . .	2,000 00	687 10	1,312 90
23	Fuel,	1,200 00	180 75	1,019 25
24	Labor at the Squares,	2,500 00	1,137 96	1,362 04
25	Repairing and Painting Wire Bridge,	500 00		500 00
26	Gas Consumed in 1858,	4,000 00	735 94	3,264 06
27	Gas Consumed in 1857,	2,000 00	884 03	1,115 97
		\$57,052 00	\$17,753 88	\$39,298 12

EXPENDITURES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

From January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858.

Item	Appropriated.	Expended.	Balance.
1 Paving Intersections, - - - -	25,000	2,690 13	22,309 87
2 Repairing Streets, - - - -	140,000	19,819 94	120,180 06
3 Grading Streets, - - - -	25,000	3,441 28	21,558 72
4 Repairing Roads, - - - -	35,000	5,668 09	29,331 91
5 Paving Footways, - - - -	6,000	824 68	5,175 32
6 Repairs to Culverts, - - - -	15,000	4,526 12	10 473 88
7 Repairing Bridges, - - - -	12,000	1,790 36	10,209 64
8 Cleaning Streets, - - - -	60,000	18,568 90	41,431 10
9 Cleansing and Repairing unpaved streets,	10,000	1,216 62	8,783 38
10 Repairs to City Railroad, - -	6,000	3,966 64	2,033 36
11 Repairing Wells and Pumps, - -	1,500	211 37	1,288 63
12 Salaries of Officers of Department, -	10,000	3,333 08	6,666 92
13 Salaries of Supervisors, - - -	15,700	5,150 00	10,550 00
14 Grading and Bridg. Girard Av. 24th wd.,	5,000		
15 Building Wing Walls to do., - -	4,000	787 43	3,212 57
16 Girard and Pennsylvania Av. Bridge,	15 000		
17 Printing, Advertising, and Stationery,	1,200	230 65	969 35
18 Insurance on Bridges, - - -	1,100	600 00	500 00
19 Office and Yard Expenses, - - -	1,000	327 25	672 75
20 Incidental Expenses, - - -	1,000	234 57	765 43
21 Sign Boards for Names of Streets, -	3,000		
22 Adver. and Plans for Chesnut st. Bridge,	1,000	745 00	255 00
	\$393,500	\$74,132 11	\$319,367 89

JOHN McCARTHY,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT.

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 11th, 1858. }

RICHARD VAUX, Esq.,
 Mayor of Philadelphia,

SIR,—The following is a statement of the appropriations to this Department for the current year, with the amount expended, and the balance standing to the credit of each item at this date.

It is not possible to comply with your request in regard to the other Departments of the City Government within the time specified in your communication, viz: Tuesday, May 11th, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

No.		Total Amount of Appropriation.	Total Amount Expended.	Balance Remaining.
1	Salaries of the Controller and Chief Clerk,	\$3,700 00	\$1,233 33	\$2,466 67
2	Salaries of Assis't Clerks and Messengers,	7,700 00	2,566 60	5,133 40
3	Books and Stationery, . .	500 00	82 08	417 92
4	Printing and Advertising Annual Statement, . . .	1,350 00	1,345 00	5 00
5	Cleansing and Care of Office,	200 00	40 00	160 00
6	Incidental Expenses, . .	250 00	44 02	205 98
Total, . . .		\$13,700 00	\$5,311 03	\$8,388 97

Very respectfully,

S. TAYLOR,
City Controller.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 10, 1858. }

SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 8th inst., I subjoin a statement of the amount appropriated to this Department for the year 1858, under the several items of appropriation; the amount of Warrants countersigned from January 1st to this date, inclusive, and the unexpended balances of the same.

Item of Appropriation.	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Countersigned & Paid.	Balance.
Item No. 1	2,500 00	625 00	1,875 00
“ 2	4,250 00	1,062 50	3,187 50
“ 3	1,100 00	396 65	703 00
“ 4	1,650 00	218 25	1,431 75
“ 5	150 00		150 00
“ 6	700 00	235 57	464 43
	\$10,350 00	\$2,537 97	\$7,812 03

I am, Sir, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

WM. V. McGRATH,
City Treasurer.

Hon. RICHARD VAUX,
 Mayor of Philadelphia.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF MARKETS.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF MARKETS, }
Philadelphia, May 10th, 1858. }

Hon. RICHARD VAUX,

Mayor of Philadelphia,

SIR,—I herewith submit to you a Statement of the disbursements made by this Department from January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858, inclusive.

Wharves and Landings.

No.	Date of Appropriation.	Am't Appropriated.	Amount Drawn.	Balance.
1	Jan. 18, 1858.	\$2,000 00		\$2,000 00
2	" "	2,000 00	329 95	1,670 05
3	" "	500 00	300 37	199 63
4	" "	279 17	117 25	161 92
5	" "	150 00		150 00
Total, . .		\$4,929 17	\$747 57	\$4,181 60

Market Department.

No.	Date of Appropriation.	Am't Appropriated.	Amount Drawn.	Balance.
1	Jan. 18, 1858.	\$900 00	\$300 00	\$600 00
2	" "	4,350 00	1,449 89	2,900 11
3	" "	300 00	49 75	250 25
4	" "	1,833 70	750 00	1,083 70
5	" "	3,000 00	318 72	2,681 28
6	" "	500 00	166 64	333 36
Total, . .		\$10,883 70	\$3,035 00	\$7,848 70

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM LAMB,
Commissioner of Markets.

APPENDIX No. 3.

CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 10, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

In obedience to the joint resolution of Councils passed the 7th inst., directing the "Chiefs of the several Departments to furnish Councils with a statement of the amounts of moneys appropriated to, and expended by, each of the said Departments, from January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858," I have the honor to submit the following statement of the amount of moneys appropriated to, and expended by, the Law Department between the said dates, inclusive.

Respectfully,

WM. L. HIRST,

City Solicitor.

	Statements.	Amount Approp- riated.	Amount Expended.
1	For Salaries, - - - - -	9,200 00	3,349 96
2	For Advertising Liens, - - - - -	2,500 00	1,286 00
3	For Prothonotary's Costs, - - - - -	2,500 00	1,016 69
4	For Sheriff's Costs, - - - - -	4,500 00	
5	For Blank Books and Stationery, - - - - -	300 00	251 76
6	For Printing, - - - - -	200 00	15 50
7	For Service of Subpoenas, - - - - -	150 00	50 00
8	For Witness Fees, and Certified Copies of Papers and Plans, - - - - -	200 00	39 00
9	For Care of Office, - - - - -	100 00	33 33
10	For Miscellaneous Expenses, - - - - -	250 00	164 90
11	For Advertising and Posting Notices of Plans, Surveys, and Incidental Expenses, - - - - -	300 00	
12	For Law Books, - - - - -	50 00	
		\$20,250 00	\$6,201 14

APPENDIX No. 4.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, }
Philadelphia, May 13th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
 Select and Common Councils.*

Gentlemen:—In reply to resolution of Select and Common Councils, requesting this Department to furnish Councils with a Statement of the Appropriation and Expenditures from January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858, inclusive, I beg leave to report the statement annexed.

Yours, Respectfully,

J. McCARTHY,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

EXPENDITURES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

From January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858, inclusive.

Item	Appropriated.	Expended.	Balance.
1 Paving Intersections, - - - -	25,000	2,903 73	22,096 27
2 Repairing Streets, - - - -	140,000	19,761 10	120,238 90
3 Grading Streets, - - - -	25,000	3,441 28	21,558 72
4 Repairing Roads, - - - -	35,000	5,668 09	29,331 91
5 Paving Footways, - - - -	6,000	824 68	5,175 32
6 Repairing Culverts, - - - -	15,000	4,526 12	10,473 88
7 Repairing Bridges, - - - -	12,000	1,790 36	10 209 64
8 Cleansing Streets, - - - -	60,000	18,568 90	41,431 10
9 Repairing Unpaved Streets, - -	10,000	1,216 62	8,783 38
10 Repairing City Railroad, - -	6,000	3,966 64	2,033 36
11 Repairing Wells and Pumps, - -	1,500	211 37	1,288 63
12 Salaries of Officers, - - - -	10,000	3,333 08	6 666 92
13 Salaries of Supervisors, - - -	15,700	5,150 00	10,550 00
14 Grading and Bridg. Girard Av. 24th wd.	5,000		
15 Building Wing Walls to do., - -	4,000	787 43	3,212 57
16 Girard and Pennsylvania Av. Bridge,	15,000		
17 Printing, Advertising and Stationery,	1 200	230 65	969 35
18 Insurance on Bridges, - - - -	1,100	600 00	500 00
19 Office and Yard Expenses, - - -	1,000	327 25	672 75
20 Incidentals, - - - -	1,000	326 57	673 43
21 Sign Boards for Streets, - - -	3,000		
22 Adver. and Plans for Chesnut st. Bridge,	1,000	745 00	255 00
	\$393,500	\$74,378 87	\$319,121 13

APPENDIX No. 5.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CITY PROPERTY.

DEPARTMENT OF CITY PROPERTY, }
Philadelphia, May 11th, 1858. }

To the Honorable Members of the Common Council.

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the Resolution of Councils calling on the Head of the Department of City Property for “a statement of the expenditures in this Department from January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858,” I have the honor to submit to you the accompanying statement setting forth the information called for.

AMOUNT EXPENDED BY DEPARTMENT OF CITY PROPERTY FROM
JANUARY 1ST, 1858, TO MAY 10TH, 1858.

No of Item.	For what purpose.	Appropriation.	Amount Expended.	Balance.
1	Salaries of Commissioner and Messenger, . . .	2,000 00	663 64	1,336 36
2	Stationery and Office Expenses, . . .	200 00	58 76	141 24
3	Salary of Collector and Watchman at T. W., . .	1,160 00	386 64	773 36
4	Labor at Tobacco Warehouse, . . .	50 00		50 00
5	Salaries of Superintendents of Halls, . . .	2,460 00	819 96	1,640 04
6	Salaries of House Cleaners, . . .	400 00	90 87	309 13
7	Salaries of Watchmen of State House, . . .	2,500 00	833 20	1,666 80
8	Salaries of Watchmen at Wire Bridge, . . .	1,000 00	333 28	666 72
9	Salaries of Watchmen in State House Steeple, .	1,500 00	499 92	1,000 08
10	Salaries of Superintendents in Squares, . .	4,700 00	1,566 64	3,133 36
11	Improvement of Fairmount Park, . . .	2,500 00		2,500 00
12	Improvement of Norris Square, . . .	1,000 00	952 97	47 03
13	Improvement of Hunting Park, . . .	2,000 00	100 27	1,899 73
14	Salaries of Keepers and Regulators of Clocks, .	500 00	163 64	336 36
15	Rent of Office and City Law Building, . . .	6,500 00	2,375 00	4,125 00
16	Cleaning and Repairing Clocks, . . .	100 00	46 50	53 50
17	State Taxes, . . .	500 00		500 00
18	Repairs and Improvements, . . .	2,000 00	506 75	1,493 25
19	Ground Rents and Interests on Mortgages, .	13,367 00	4,730 06	8,636 94
20	Curbing and Paving, . . .	400 00		400 00
21	Insurance, . . .	15 00		15 00
22	Repairs, Cleansing, and Supplies to C. House, .	2,000 00	687 10	1,312 90
23	Fuel, . . .	1,200 00	180 75	1,019 25
24	Labor at the Squares, . . .	2,500 00	1,137 96	1,362 04
25	Repairing and Painting Wire Bridge, . . .	500 00		500 00
26	Gas Consumed in 1858, . . .	4,000 00	735 94	3,264 06
27	Gas Consumed in 1857, . . .	2,000 00	884 03	1,115 97
		\$57,052 00	\$17,753 88	\$39,298 12

Very truly,

EUGENE AIERN,
Commissioner of City Property.

APPENDIX No. 6.

RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT.

OFFICE OF RECEIVER OF TAXES, }
Philadelphia, May 10th, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN :

In pursuance of a Joint Resolution, adopted 7th inst. by Select and Common Councils, requesting the Chiefs of the several Departments to furnish Councils with a statement of the amount of money appropriated to, and expended by, each of the said Departments from January 1st, 1858, to May 10th, 1858, I respectfully submit the following :

Amount appropriated to this Department for
the year 1858, was - - - \$19,000 00

Amount expended from January 1st, 1858,
to May 10th, 1858, is - - - \$8,781 16

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

PETER ARMBRUSTER,
Receiver of Taxes.

APPENDIX No. 7.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Philadelphia, May 12, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
 Select and Common Councils.*

GENTLEMEN :—In compliance with a resolution of Councils, adopted May 7, 1858, I have the honor to subjoin a statement showing the amount appropriated to this Department for the current year, under the several items of appropriation, the amount of Warrants countersigned from January 1st, 1858, to the 10th inst. inclusive, and the unexpended balances of the same.

Item of Appropriation.	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Countersigned & Paid.	Balance.
Item No. 1	2,500 00	625 00	1,875 00
“ 2	4,250 00	1,062 50	3,187 50
“ 3	1,100 00	396 65	703 00
“ 4	1,650 00	218 25	1,431 75
“ 5	150 00		150 00
“ 6	700 00	235 57	464 43
	\$10,350 00	\$2,537 97	\$7,812 03

I am, very respectfully,

WM. V. McGRATH,
City Treasurer.

APPENDIX No. 8.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUNDS.

Philadelphia, May 8th, 1858.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Commissioners of the Sinking Funds respectfully submit the following report:

At the date of their last report there were various subjects of interest to the several Sinking Funds under consideration, the full understanding and settlement of which seemed, by the law under which they were created, to devolve upon them.

Most of these subjects have been satisfactorily arranged; but one of greater importance than the others—relating to certain portions of the City Property—requires, in the opinion of the Commissioners, the further attention of Councils.

The Ordinance providing for a Sinking Fund for the redemption of the City Debt of \$10,000,000, as a guarantee for the payment of said debt, set apart, amongst other property, the real estate owned by the City. It further provided, that when any of said real estate was sold, the proceeds of such sales should be passed to the credit of said Sinking Fund. The Commissioners may here remark that no proper schedule of this real estate has, as yet, been furnished them.

Between November 28, 1856, and the present date—under the authority of Councils—various portions of this property have been sold, and the proceeds applied in accordance with the law. But the Commissioners have had much trouble in ascertaining the precise character and locality of the property sold, the prices paid therefor, the

sum paid in cash, and the amount remaining on mortgage against each property.

To obtain this information, the Commissioners had recourse to the Commissioner of City Property, but that officer, although anxious to furnish all the information in his power, was unable to comply with the demand made upon him, as there were no records in his office from which such knowledge could be derived. Application was then made to the City Solicitor and City Treasurer, both of whom very promptly responded, and from the information thus obtained—the compiling of which was attended with trouble and labor to both of these Departments—the Commissioners were put in possession of such facts, in relation to that portion of the City Property referred to, as should have been at once accessible in the Department created for its care and management.

The Commissioners, in bringing this subject so directly to the notice of Councils, are prompted by a hope that some remedy may be provided for the divided authority and responsibility to which this important interest is now subject.

The total amounts of City Property sold within the periods hereinbefore mentioned, according to the report of the City Treasurer, was,	-	-	\$144,487 00
Of this there was paid, in Certificates of City			
Loan and Cash,	-	-	95,117 25
Leaving on Bond and Mortgage the sum of			<u>\$49,369 75</u>

The proceeds of these sales, as before stated, have been passed to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City Debt of \$10,000,000.

Since January 1, 1858, there has been paid on			
account of the public debt falling due that date,			\$64,950 00
“ “ “ “ Jan. 1, 1857,			1,700 00
“ “ “ “ July 1, 1856,			450 00
“ “ “ “ July 1, 1855,			6,200 00
Total,	-	-	<u>\$73,300 00</u>

To enable the City Treasurer to meet these demands, the Commissioners, under the Ordinance approved December 12, 1857, directed the sale of Certificates of City Loan belonging to the Sinking Fund of the City Debt of \$10,000,000, to the amount of \$68,900 00, the remainder being paid out of the cash balance standing to the credit of said Fund, and the balances of previous appropriations for the payment of the public debt, standing to the credit of that account on the books of the City Treasurer.

The accompanying statements will exhibit the receipts and payments on account of the several Sinking Funds of the City since the date of the last report, with the amount of investments and balance standing to the credit of each, to this date.

All which is respectfully submitted.

RICHARD VAUX,	} Commissioners	
S. TAYLOR,		
JOHN WELSH,		
		of the
		Sinking Funds.

Attest—WM. ENGLISH,

Secretary.

SINKING FUND OF CITY DEBT OF TEN MILLIONS.

1857.					
Oct. 15,	By Balance,	-	-	-	\$60,885 54
1858.					
Jan. 1,	Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	25,000 00
Jan. 20,	Cash from Wm. Maule, acc. of Mortgage,				1,400 00
Feb. 4,	Wm. Holmes,	-	-	-	200 00
March 8,	J. Blackburn and P. Tickner,				170 00
" 8,	Peryer Tickner,	-	-	-	430 00
" 8,	Henry R. Lewis,	-	-	-	170 00
" 10,	Wm. L. Hirst, City Solicitor,				
	advance purchase money on				
	City Lots sold to W. Holmes,				
	P. Tickner, Blackburn and				
	Tickner, and H. R. Lewis,				250 00
" 10,	Six months' Interest on City Loans,	-			4,450 70
April 1,	Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	25,000 00
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					\$117,956 24

	By amount brought forward,	\$117,956 24
1857.		
June 30,	To amount uninvested this day, applied toward the extinguishment of the public debt, under Ordinance Approved June 30, 1857, - - - -	978 00
Nov. 2,	To cash paid for \$31,300 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	25,040 00
Nov. 30,	" Cash paid for \$216 67, Certificates 5 per ct. City Loan, \$378 62, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	521 52
1858.		
Mar. 31,	" Cash paid for \$200 00, Certificates 5 per ct. City Loan, \$363 78, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	505 51
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$75,100 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	72,560 51
May 6,	" Cash paid for \$6,200 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	6,022 50
May 8,	" Cash paid for \$12,400 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	12,231 00
		<u>\$117,859 04</u>
	Cash Balance, - - - -	97 20
	Amount invested in City Loans, - - - -	\$320,515 91
	Less amount sold to pay Funded Debt, due Jan. 1, 1858, - - - -	68,900 00
	Amount invested in City Loan, this date, - - - -	<u>251,615 91</u>
	Total, - - - -	<u>\$251,713 11</u>

SINKING FUND OF THE LOAN OF ONE MILLION.

1857.		
Oct. 15,	By balance, - - - -	6,460 75
1858.		
Jan. 1,	" Three Quarterly Appropriations, two due in 1856, - - - -	9,000 00
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans, - - - -	639 00
Apr. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - - -	3,000 00
		<u>\$19,099 75</u>
1857.		
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$8,000 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	6,400 00
1858.		
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$10,300 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	9,674 87
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$3,100 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	2,983 75
		<u>19,058 62</u>
	Cash balance, - - - -	41 13
	Amount invested in City Loans, - - - -	<u>34,700 00</u>
	Total, - - - -	<u>\$34,741 13</u>

SINKING FUND OF THE LOAN OF \$800,000.

1857.						
Oct. 15,	By Balance,	-	-	-	-	4,935 55
1858.						
Jan. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	-	2,400 00
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans,	-	-	-	-	294 00
Apr. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	-	2,400 00
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						\$10,029 55
1857.						
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$6,100 00, Certificates 6 per					
	ct. City Loan,	-	-	-	-	4,880 00
1858.						
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$2,900 00, Certificates 6 per					
	ct. City Loan,	-	-	-	-	2,718 75
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$2,500 00, Certificates 6 per					
	ct. City Loan,	-	-	-	-	2,406 25
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						10,005 00
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	Cash Balance,	-	-	-	-	24 55
	Amount invested in City Loans,	-	-	-	-	15,200 00
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	Total,	-	-	-	-	\$15,224 55

SINKING FUND OF THE SUNBURY AND ERIE RAILROAD.

1857.						
Oct. 15,	By Balance,	-	-	-	-	6,701 00
1858.						
Jan. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	-	3,150 00
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans,	-	-	-	-	624 00
Apr. 15,	" Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	-	3 150 00
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						\$13,625 00
1857.						
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$8,300 00, Certificates 6 per					
	ct. City Loan,	-	-	-	-	\$6,640 00
1858.						
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$4,000 00, Certificates 6 per					
	ct. City Loan,	-	-	-	-	3,755 00
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$3,300 00, Certificates 6 per					
	ct. City Loan,	-	-	-	-	3,176 25
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						13, 571 25
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	Cash balance,	-	-	-	-	53 75
	Amount invested in City Loans,	-	-	-	-	28,100 00
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	Total,	-	-	-	-	28,153 75

SINKING FUND OF THE NORTH-WESTERN RAILROAD.

1857.						
Oct. 15,	By balance,	-	-	-	-	4,301 50
1858.						
Jan. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	-	1,950 00
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans,	-	-	-	-	534 00
Apr. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation,	-	-	-	-	1,950 00
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						\$8,735 50

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	By amount brought forward,	\$8,735 50
1857.		
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$5,300 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	\$4,240 00
1858.		
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$2,700 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	2,531 25
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$2,000 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	1,925 00
		<hr/> 8,696 25
	Cash balance, - - - -	39 25
	Amount invested in City Loans, - - - -	22,500 00
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	Total, - - - -	\$22,539 25

SINKING FUND OF CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS.

1857.		
Oct. 15,	By balance, - - - -	627 50
1858.		
Jan. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - - -	242 25
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans, - - - -	90 00
Apr. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - - -	242 25
		<hr/> \$1,202 00
1857.		
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$700 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	560 00
1858.		
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$400 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	375 00
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$200 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - - -	192 50
		<hr/> 1,127 50
	Cash balance, - - - -	74 50
	Amount invested in City Loans, - - - -	3,600 00
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	Total, - - - -	\$3,674 50

SINKING FUND OF ROAD DAMAGES.

1857.		
Oct. 15,	By balance, - - - -	411 25
1858.		
Jan. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - - -	250 00
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans, - - - -	39 00
Apr. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - - -	250 00
		<hr/> \$950 25

	By amount brought forward,		\$950 25
1857.			
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$500 00, Certificates 6 per et. City Loan, - - - -	400 00	
1858.			
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$300 00, Certificates 6 per et. City Loan, - - - -	281 25	
May 3,	" Cash paid for \$200 00, Certificates 6 per et. City Loan, - - - -	192 50	
		<hr/>	873 75
	Cash balance, - - - -		76 50
	Amount invested in City Loans, - -		1,800 00
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	Total, - - - -		\$1,876 50

SINKING FUND OF THE PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS.

1857.			
Oct. 15,	By balance, - - - -		5,199 25
Dec. 31,	" Cash from Trustees of Gas Works, -		4,500 00
1858.			
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest on City Loans, -		810 00
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			10,509 25
1857.			
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$6,400 00, Certificates 6 per et. City Loan, - - - -	5,120 00	
1858.			
Apr. 5,	" Cash paid for \$5,700 00, Certificates 6 per et. City Loan, - - - -	5,343 75	
		<hr/>	10,463 75
	Cash balance, - - - -		45 50
	Amount invested in City Loans, - -		32,700 00
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	Total, - - - -		\$32,745 50

APPENDIX NO. 9.

CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT.

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 13th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In obedience to your joint resolution of the 7th inst., I herewith transmit a statement of the appropriations made to this department for the current year and the amount expended, to the 10th inst. inclusive.

No.		Total Amount of Appropriation.	Total Amount Expended.	Balance Remaining.
1	Salaries of the Controller and Chief Clerk, . . .	\$3,700 00	\$1,233 33	\$2,466 67
2	Salaries of Assis't Clerks and Messengers, . . .	7,700 00	2,566 60	5,133 40
3	Books and Stationery, . .	500 00	82 08	417 92
4	Printing and Advertising Annual Statement, . . .	1,350 00	1,345 00	5 00
5	Cleansing and Care of Office,	200 00	40 00	160 00
6	Incidental Expenses, . .	250 00	44 02	205 98
Total, . . .		\$13,700 00	\$5,311 03	\$8,388 97

Very respectfully,

S. TAYLOR,
City Controller.

APPENDIX No. 10.

REPORT OF CLERKS OF COUNCILS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, }
 Phila., May 13th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the
 Select and Common Councils.*

GENTLEMEN :—In compliance with a Resolution of Councils, we have the honor to submit the following statement, showing the amount appropriated to the Department of the Clerks of Councils for the current year, the amount of Warrants countersigned from January 1st, 1858, the 10th inst., inclusive, and the unexpended balances of the same :—

Item.	Appropriation.	Amount of Warrants Countersigned.	Balances.
1	\$6,620	\$2,272 63	\$4,347 37
2	9,500	3,530 46	5,969 54
3	2,600	1,223 85	1,376 15
4	6,000	2,662 14	3,337 86
5	1,500	201 12	1,298 88
6	500		500 00
7	860	308 00	492 00
8	1,000	197 76	802 24
	<hr/> \$28,520	<hr/> \$10,395 96	<hr/> \$18,124 04

Very respectfully, &c.,

H. G. LEISENRING,

Clerk of Select Council.

WM. F. SMALL,

Clerk of Common Council.

APPENDIX No. 11.

Contested Election of Twentieth Ward.

*To the Common Council
of the City of Philadelphia.*

The petition and complaint of the undersigned respectfully sheweth, that they are citizens and qualified electors of the Twentieth Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

That a Municipal Election was held therein on Tuesday the fourth day of May, A. D., One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, (1858,) and they voted at the said Municipal Election therein, for the office of Common Council of the City of Philadelphia; and your petitioners further show that it has been returned, that at the said election, James Russel received sixteen hundred and sixty-four votes, for the said office of Common Council of the City of Philadelphia in said ward, and William Eckfeldt received sixteen hundred and fifty-five votes for the said office. And the said James Russel has been returned as elected thereto, by a majority of nine votes, which your petitioners charge to be a false return, and undue election of the said James Russel as a Common Councilman as aforesaid, and they contest his right to the said office, and to his seat, as a member of the Common Council of said City from said Ward.

That the said election, and the said return of the said James Russel as Common Councilman as aforesaid, is false and fraudulent and untrue in this,—

That at the said Municipal Election in said Ward, there were ten persons voted for, for the office of Common Council, to wit: Joseph Manuel, Jr., who was returned as having received seventeen hundred and fourteen votes; Nathan W. Ellis, who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and seventy-six votes; George W. Simons, who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and eighty-one votes;

Myers C. Fisher, who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and sixty-three votes; the said James Russell who was unduly returned as having received for the said office, sixteen hundred and sixty-four votes; the said William Eckfeldt who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and fifty-five votes; Abraham Olwine, who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and nineteen votes; Thomas Gray, who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and fifty-seven votes; John A. Brown, who was returned as having received sixteen hundred and fifty-three votes; and George F. Spicer, who was returned as having received fifteen hundred and seventy-six votes: Whereas your petitioners allege, charge and verily believe that the said James Russel received not more than fifteen hundred and eighty-four votes for said office, whereby your petitioners allege, and charge, and believe that the said William Eckfeldt received more votes for said office, to wit: at least seventy-one votes more than the said James Russel; whereby the said William Eckfeldt is elected to the said office of Common Councilman of said City, from the said Ward as aforesaid, and should have been so returned. And your petitioners more particularly specify the following grounds of contest, to wit:

First. That in the tenth election division of the said Twentieth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, the election officers of said division received the votes of persons to the number of eighty and upwards, for the office of Common Council as aforesaid, which were taken and counted in the general return for said ward, for the said James Russel for Common Council, none of whom were qualified electors in said division.

Second. And your petitioners further specify that the election officers of said division did combine and conspire to defeat the will of the people at said election, and to hold an unjust and illegal election, and to make an undue and false return of the votes cast in said division for members of Common Council as aforesaid. That with the said intent and purpose, and in pursuance of the said unjust and wicked conspiracy, said election officers did willfully and fraudulently neglect and refuse to perform the most important duties

which the law directs them to perform, in order to secure a fair and just election, and to detect and prevent the perpetration of frauds, to wit :

The said election officers fraudulently neglected and refused severally to take and subscribe the oath or affirmation directed and required by law.

The said election officers fraudulently neglected and refused to mark the letter "V" opposite the name of the voter upon the assessment list at the time he voted. They fraudulently refused to add the name of the voter thereto with the word "tax," or "ass.," when the name of the voter did not appear upon the assessment list.

They fraudulently refused to receive proof, or inquire into the qualifications of voters whose right to vote was legally challenged.

They fraudulently refused and neglected to require proof of the residence of voters whose names were not on the assessment list, according to law.

They fraudulently refused to swear such voters, that they had not removed within the election district for the mere purpose of voting therein, and that their residence within said district was *bona fide*, and in pursuance of their lawful calling.

They falsely and fraudulently received the votes of non-residents of the said election division, not qualified voters therein at said election, notwithstanding the repeated challenges and protests of qualified voters against the right of such persons to vote without taking previous proofs, according to law.

They fraudulently suffered and permitted the same persons to vote at said election several times, whose votes were taken, and counted in the return for said James Russel, for said office of Common Councilman.

That the said officers of said division did not, as they were required by law to do, file a copy of the list of voters,

tally papers, and returns in the Prothonotary's Office of the Court of Common Pleas within three days after the said election.

That the said election in said division, thus held, was not a fair election, held according to the intent and spirit of the law, but was a fraud, contemplated and directed by the election officers in said division, and was thus falsely and fraudulently carried on by the said election officers in said election division, and was in all respects unfair, unjust, illegal and void, and that the returns thereof ought to be entirely disregarded.

The said election officers of said division, in pursuance of said intent, and in furtherance of the said conspiracy, as aforesaid, fraudulently opened the Polls for more than one hour before the usual time of opening the Polls, and for more than one hour before the time they were required to open the said Polls according to law, in order to prevent their acts and doings from being witnessed by citizens who desired to exercise the right of challenge, and in order to prevent the watchers appointed by the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas from being present, to notice and observe their illegal conduct as election officers.

That in pursuance of said conspiracy, and before the time of the arrival of the watchers, which was eleven minutes before eight o'clock in the morning, they did fraudulently receive and take the votes of persons for the office of Common Council, as aforesaid, which were taken and counted in said return for James Russel, to the number of forty and upwards.

That at the said election in said division, the return of votes received, taken, and counted in the returns for Common Council for said Ward, was

For Joseph Manuel, Jr.,	-	-	-	1714
Nathan W. Ellis,	-	-	-	1676
George W. Simons,	-	-	-	1681
Myers C. Fisher,	-	-	-	1663
William Eckfeldt,	-	-	-	1655

For James Russel,	-	-	-	-	1664
Abraham Olwine,	-	-	-	-	1619
Thomas Gray,	-	-	-	-	1657
John A. Brown,	-	-	-	-	1653
George F. Spicer,	-	-	-	-	1576

Wherefore, your petitioners show that the said William Eckfeldt, at the election as aforesaid, was duly elected a member of the Common Council of the City from the said Ward, having received more votes than were given for the said James Russel, one of the returned candidates, or for any other person or persons, except the aforesaid Joseph Manuel, Jr., Nathan W. Ellis, George W. Simons and Myers C. Fisher, who were returned elected; and that, therefore, the election was undue, and the return false, in declaring and returning the said James Russel as duly elected.

Your petitioners therefore pray, that your honorable body will appoint a Committee to hear and examine this complaint, and to take such orders as may be necessary to exhibit the aforesaid undue election and false return; and that you will order, decree, and adjudge the said return of the said James Russel to the office of Common Council, as aforesaid, to be false; and that the said William Eckfeldt is duly and legally elected to the said Common Council, and that your honorable body will permit him to be sworn into said office; and will take such other action in the premises as you may deem fit.

And they will ever pray, &c.

Walter Brodie,	Edward Gratz,
Jacob S. Haas,	John M. Riley,
Francis Hood,	John B. Adams,
George A. Scott,	George F. Keyser,
Peter Kunkel,	John R. Scott,
Chas. Edwin Nock,	Chas. P. Whitecar,
H. J. Van Riper,	Thomas Ford,
Joseph Wood,	Henry S. Jester,
Augustus Eisenwein,	W. F. Doyle,
William Thorn,	Henry Walton,
William Strayline,	Peter R. Young, Jr.
	Samuel Overn.

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

Personally appeared before me, one of the Aldermen for the said City, Peter R. Young, Jr., Wm. Thorn, and Wm. Strayline, three of the above named petitioners, who, being duly sworn or affirmed according to law, do say, that the facts above set forth are, to the best of their knowledge, just and true.

Peter R. Young, Jr.
William Thorn,
William Strayline.

Sworn or affirmed, and subscribed, this 13th day of May,
A. D. 1858, before me,

CHARLES D. FREEMAN,
Alderman.

APPENDIX No. 12.

Relative to the Bonds and Sureties of the City Commissioner.

Whereas, Edward R. Williams, City Commissioner elect, has entered the security required by ordinance, and it is due to him that he be allowed to enter upon the duties of his office, therefore,

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that a special Committee of three from each Council be appointed to take into consideration the Bonds and Sureties of Edward R. Williams, City Commissioner elect, with instructions to inquire and report forthwith.

APPENDIX No. 13.

Contested Election of the Twenty-third Ward.

*To the President and Members of the Common Council of
the City of Philadelphia,*

The Petition of the subscribers, qualified voters of the Twenty-third Ward of the City of Philadelphia, respectfully sheweth: That among other things, it is Provided by the 4th Section of the Act of Assembly of the 2d of February, 1854, (known as the Consolidation Act,) that the members of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia shall have the same qualifications as are required by the Constitution of this Commonwealth for members of the House of Representatives: Your petitioners further show, that the Third Section of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, referred to in the Act of Assembly aforesaid, declares that no person shall be a representative, who shall not have attained the age of twenty-one years, and have been a citizen and inhabitant of the State three years next, preceding his Election, and *the last year thereof* an inhabitant of the District in and for which he shall be chosen a representative, unless he shall have been absent on the public business of the United States, or of this State.

Your petitioners further show, that, notwithstanding the Act of Assembly aforesaid, and the aforesaid requirement of the Constitution, at an Election held in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of Philadelphia, on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1858, E. S. Handy, Esq., who was not an inhabitant of the said Ward, but who was, and is an inhabitant of the Seventh Ward of the City aforesaid, was declared duly elected a member of your honorable body, from the said Twenty-third Ward of the City aforesaid, and by virtue of the Certificate of the Return Judges of the said Ward, has been recognized by your body as one of its members. Against which action of the said Return Judges, and the said assumption of the said E. S. Handy, your petitioners (qualified voters of the said Ward) do

hereby most earnestly protest. Your petitioners further show that at the Election aforesaid, held in the Ward aforesaid, at the time aforesaid, Charles C. Hicks, an inhabitant of the said Ward, was duly elected a member of your honorable body, and is justly entitled to the seat of the said E. S. Handy, who was unduly elected and returned as aforesaid. Your petitioners therefore request you to proceed, according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, to declare the so called Election of the said E. S. Handy null and void, and to declare the said Charles C. Hicks aforesaid, duly Elected a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, for the year ensuing, and they will ever pray.

Charles C. Hicks, Jr.,
Aaron S. Stackhouse,
Nathan Boileau, Jr.,
Lewes Dungan,
Jamison Lott,
Geo. S. Adler,
George Hart,
Samuel R. Wilson,
Evert J. Wendell,
George Mulson,

Emanuel Edel,
M. Edel,
William B. Boileau,
J. P. Brooks,
Amos A. Gregg,
Robert N. Murray,
Abijah Brooks,
Simon T. Shugart,
Alfred L. Walton,
William Pearie,

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, ss.

We the subscribers, qualified voters of the Twenty-third Ward of the City of Philadelphia, do hereby declare the facts, set forth in the above petition, to be true.

Charles S. Snyder,
Simon T. Shugart,
Alfred L. Walton.

Sworn or affirmed, and subscribed, before me this Twelfth day of May, 1858.

ISRAEL S. ELLIOTT,
Alderman.

APPENDIX No. 14.

CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT.

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 20th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—On the 14th instant, the accounts of the late City Solicitor, William L. Hirst, Esq., were examined and compared with the vouchers submitted, and being found correct, a certificate to that effect was given to said William L. Hirst, and entered on record in the books of this Department.

The said accounts stood as follows, to wit:

DR.

To cash received on account of Claims, &c.,	\$9,483 01
“ “ “ Advance payments, on City Property sold, per M. Thomas & Son, - - -	250 00
“ received on acc. of Girard Estate, rents,	2,000 00
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	\$11,733 01

CR.

By cash paid to City Treasurer, various dates, \$11,733 01

Very respectfully,

S. TAYLOR,

City Controller.

APPENDIX No. 15.

RESOLUTION FROM BOARD OF HEALTH.

HEALTH OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, May 13, 1858. }

To the President and Members of Common Council.

GENTLEMEN:—At a meeting of the Board of Health, held on the 12th inst., the following Resolution was, on motion, adopted.

Resolved, That this Board request Councils to fill the vacancies in the Board caused by the resignation of the members from the 6th, 15th, 16th, and 24th Wards.

Extract from the minutes.

Attest—WM. M. RANDALL,
Clerk Board of Health.

APPENDIX No. 16.

CONTESTED ELECTION OF THE FIFTEENTH WARD.

*To the Honorable the Common Council
of the City of Philadelphia.*

The petition and complaint of the subscribers, Citizens and qualified Electors of the Fifteenth Ward of the said City, respectfully represent:—That at an Election for Municipal Officers, held in said Ward on Tuesday the 4th day of May, instant, Thomas Potter was voted for as a candidate for Common Council from said Ward, and was returned as Elected a member of said Council by the Return Judges, and as your petitioners are informed, now holds his seat as such.

Whereas, Your petitioners are informed, and aver that the said Thomas Potter is not eligible to hold such position, from the fact, that he is not a native of this country, nor, as your petitioners believe and aver, is he a naturalized or qualified Citizen of this Commonwealth, and, consequently, incapable of holding the post to which he has been returned as Elected.

Your petitioners, therefore, earnestly protest against the said Thomas Potter representing in your Honorable body the Ward in which they are Electors, and pray that inquiry may be made, touching his right to hold said seat; and if found incapable, that the Candidate having the next highest number of votes, according to the original returns of the Judges of the several divisions of said Ward, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of this County, which your petitioners pray may be taken and considered as a part of this their complaint, may be duly installed as a member of said Council from this Ward.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, ss.

James Maguire, John Mullholland, and John Holland,

Being duly and respectively sworn or affirmed, depose and say that they are informed, and believe that the facts set forth in the within petition are true.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 18th day of May, 1858.

ALEXANDER MARTIN,
Alderman.

James Gormley,
Charles O' Donnell,
Michael McGrath,
John Collins,
Dennis McCarty,
Thomas Kingston,
William Devlin,

John Hughes,
Thomas Caulfield,
Hugh McQuigan,
Martin Ryan,
John McLean,
James Sourin,
F. L. Laughran,

W. P. Coryell,
Charles Doran,
John Moran,
Thomas Kelly,

P. J. Holland,
Thomas McAneland,
Rodger Fraley,
John Rice.

APPENDIX No. 17.

COMMITTEE UPON THE STATIONERY PLACED UPON THE DESKS OF MEMBERS.

*To the Common Council
of the City of Philadelphia.*

The Committee appointed in pursuance of a Resolution “to ascertain by what authority, and for what purpose the large amount of stationery had been placed on the desks of the members.”

Respectfully report:—

That after a full and careful investigation of the circumstances, and an examination of the various parties concerned in the inquiry, they elicited the following facts:

That by existing Ordinance the Clerks of Councils have charge of the appropriation for printing, stationery, and ordinary expenses of Councils.

That the Chief Clerk of Common Council, on entering upon his duties, found the desks of the members almost destitute of stationery, and as he had not been informed by the retiring Clerk that there were any supplies on hand, and deeming it necessary that each member should be furnished with a reasonable amount, he, without consultation or advice from any one, gave a general order to Messrs. James B. Smith, & Co., Stationers, No. 610 Chestnut St., to send a moderate supply of stationery for each member, without naming particulars, *but gave no order for penknives*. The said James B. Smith & Co. took the responsibility on the strength of the general order to deliver for each member a package containing the following articles, to wit: One Half Ream of Cap Paper; One Half Ream Letter

Paper ; One Half Ream Note Paper, One Hundred Envelopes, One Dozen Steel Pens, Two Pen-holders, One Lead Pencil, and One Pen-knife, making a total of

48½	Rms. Cong. Cap Paper,	at 2 50	\$121 25
48½	“ “ Letter “	at 2 00	97 00
48½	“ “ Fine Note Paper,	at 1 50	72 75
9,700	Buff Envelopes,	at 20	19 40
97	Dozen Steel Pens,	at 20	19 40
16 2-12	“ Pen-holders,	at 30	4 85
8 1-12	“ Lead Pencils,	at 60	4 85
97	Fine Pen-knives,	at 1 00	97 00
			<hr/>
			\$436 50

Which your Committee deem in excess of what was needed, and attribute it to the indiscretion of the Chief Clerk of Common Council in giving an unlimited order to parties that furnish stationery to other public bodies where great extravagance exists.

They also deem it their duty to fully exonerate every member of Council, and all other parties from any participation in the matter, as your Committee could not learn that any other person except the Chief Clerk and the stationers had any knowledge of the purchase prior to the delivery of the goods in the chamber.

Your Committee would offer the following Resolution, and ask its adoption :

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be directed to return to Jas. B. Smith, & Co., the pen-knives and all other articles that are in a sound condition, and that he present the bill to the Finance Committee of such articles as are retained, and, if found correct, that an order be drawn for the amount.

HIRAM MILLER, }
 ROBERT KELTON, } *Committee.*
 JOHN THOMPSON, }

Phila., May 21st, 1858.

APPENDIX No. 18.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, EDWARD R. WILLIAMS'
SURETIES, CITY COMMISSIONER.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred for examination the sureties offered by Edward R. Williams, for the faithful performance of his duties as City Commissioner, to which office he has been duly elected, report favorably, and offer the annexed Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
ROBERT KELTON,
W. M. NEAL,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
WM. HORROCKS,
WM. B. FOSTER, Jr.,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
EDW. S. HANDY,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,

May 24, 1858.

Committee.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by Edward R. Williams, to wit: Matthias Haas, Andrew Graber, and Custus J. Gilbert, for the faithful performance of his duties as City Commissioner, be accepted.

APPENDIX No. 19.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, SURETIES OF CITY SO-
LICITOR, WM. L. HIRST, ESQ.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a Communication from City Controller, certifying to the account

of Wm. L. Hirst, Esq., as City Solicitor, have examined the same, and offer the annexed Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 W. M. NEAL,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 WM. HORROCKS,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 EDW. S. HANDY,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
 ROBERT KELTON.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Mayor be requested to enter satisfaction upon the bonds of the sureties of Wm. L. Hirst, Esq., late City Solicitor.

APPENDIX No. 20.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, A. I. FLOMERFELT'S
 SURETIES, RECEIVER OF TAXES.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred for examination the sureties offered by A. I. Flomerfelt, for the faithful performance of his duties as Receiver of Taxes, to

which office he has been duly elected, report favorably, and offer the annexed Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 W. M. NEAL,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 WM. HORROCKS,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 EDW. S. HANDY,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,

May 24, 1858.

Committee.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by A. I. Flomerfelt, to wit: John Lancaster and Thomas McCoy, for the faithful performance of his duties as Receiver of Taxes, be accepted.

APPENDIX No. 21.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a Resolution authorizing the City Controller to countersign warrants for the payment of a sum not exceeding \$5000, for the introduction of gas pipes, fixtures, &c., into the Alms House, respectfully report that this Committee have not sufficient data to decide upon the question, and recom-

mend that it be referred to the Committee on Poor, with power to act,—and offer the annexed resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 W. M. NEAL,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 WM. HORROCKS,
 WM. B. FOSTER, Jr.,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 EDW. S. HANDY,
 JOS. S. RILEY,
Committee.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the Resolution be referred to the Committee on Poor, with power to act.

APPENDIX No. 22.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONTESTED ELECTION IN THE TWENTY THIRD WARD.

*To the President and Members
 of the Common Council.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee selected to “try the matter of the petition,” of sundry “citizens and qualified electors” of the Twenty-third Ward, contesting the election of Edward S. Handy, as a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, from said Ward, “and to give

a true judgment thereon according to the evidence," respectfully report:

That they have attended to the duties assigned them, and after having heard the parties to the contest, and their respective counsel, and having examined the witnesses produced by them, do render the following as their judgment thereon, to wit:

I. That the said Edward S. Handy is a resident and qualified citizen of the said Twenty-third Ward, and of the Council District of the same, for which he was elected and returned as a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia.

II. That the said Edward S. Handy is entitled to his seat as a member of said Common Council from said Ward.

WM. ROTCH WISTER, *Chairman*,
 SOLOMON WAGNER,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 JOHN J. KERSEY,
 JOHN R. GHEEN,
 WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
 CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
 HIRAM MILLER,
 WM. M. BAIRD,
 W. W. SMEDLEY.

Common Council Chamber, }
Philadelphia, May 27th, 1858. }

The Committee therefore offer the following

RESOLUTION:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Contested Election of Edward S. Handy, from the Twenty-third Ward, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 23.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONTESTED ELECTION OF
THOMAS POTTER, FIFTEENTH WARD.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia :

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, contesting the seat of Thomas Potter as a member of this Council, respectfully report :

That upon their appointment they immediately proceeded to the discharge of the duties imposed upon them, and after having heard the evidence and arguments of the parties interested, they have unanimously decided that Thomas Potter is a duly qualified citizen and legal voter of the Fifteenth Ward, and of the Council District of the same for which he was elected and returned as a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, and that the said Thomas Potter is entitled to his seat as a member of Common Council of said Ward.

The Committee cannot conclude this report without expressing their disapprobation of the course pursued by the Contestants in this case. The allegations contained in their petition were wholly unfounded, frivolous, and vexatious, and might have been met and answered by the Respondent or any one having a knowledge of him, if a proper enquiry had been made before this petition was prepared. By an inquiry of this kind, the time and attention devoted to the investigation of this case would have been spared, and the expense and trouble imposed upon the parties, the witnesses, and the city would have been saved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The Committee therefore offer the following

RESOLUTION :

Resolved, That the Committee on the contested election

of Thomas Potter, from the Fifteenth Ward, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN R. SAVAGE, *Chairman*,
 CHARLES HARBERT,
 W. W. SMEDLEY,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
 JOHN DOERR,
 JAMES RUSSEL,
 ABR. NIPPES,
 P. B. MINGLE,
 JOS. MANUEL, JR.,
 CHARLES A. RUBICAM.

Common Council Chamber, }
Philadelphia, May 27th, 1858. }

APPENDIX No. 24.

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CITY ICE BOAT.

To the Select and Common Councils :

The Trustees of the City Ice Boat, in presenting their Twentieth Annual Report, have to record a winter of much shorter duration than we have had for several years, although, while it lasted, the cold was very severe, and the ice in the river Delaware, particularly at the Horse-shoe, was exceedingly thick and heavy, requiring the almost unceasing employment of the Boat, to keep the channel open between the City and Chester ; she accomplished this duty in a manner most satisfactory to the Trustees, who consider that the extensive alterations and repairs made to her hull and boilers, in the years 1856-57, have rendered her as complete and powerful an ice breaker as can be constructed, and that her strength and ability is much in-

creased, by the alterations then made; the slight defect in the boilers which caused the water in them to foam, whenever she entered salt water from fresh, or *vice versa*, to which allusion was made in the last annual report, has been entirely cured.

The Boat was put into service, on the 17th of February, and was actively employed for one month, having been laid up on the 17th of March, during which period, she towed and rendered services to twenty-two vessels and steam-ships. earning therefor \$1,546 78, which has been paid over to the City Treasurer; this sum is small, when compared with the amounts earned for towage, in several previous years, but is accounted for by the following facts, viz: 1st, That the Boat was in service for only about one third of the usual time; and, 2nd, That owing to the general prostration of all kinds of mercantile business, the number of vessels arriving at, and departing from this port, was very limited, consequently there was but little demand for towage.

For the time the Boat was in service, she has never steamed as much, having worked every day, and some part of the time at night, with the exception of one day, required for cleaning the boilers, which, in former years, has been done usually every week; the machinery worked admirably throughout, and no time was lost, either for repairs to it or the wheels.

Annexed is a statement of the amounts expended, from the various Items of Appropriation, made by Councils, for the year 1858, together with the balance remaining on hand to the credit of the Trustees; from which it will be seen, that the balance unexpended up to this time, is unusually large, particularly for items, "Fuel," "Wages," and "Provisions;" this is also owing to the short term of the Boat's service, the estimate of the Appropriation, as prepared by the Trustees, being based upon a period of ten weeks.

The Boat is now in excellent order, and will require but little, if any repairs, during the balance of the year; she is lying in the first dock above the Navy Yard, in charge of the Engineer and Watchman, and is insured against fire for \$21,000.

The Trustees have received in cash since the 7th of January last, viz :

For a lot of old iron,	\$22 89	
" balance of towage earned in 1857,	77 17	
" amount of towage earned in 1858,	1,546 78	
		\$1,646 84
And have paid to the City Treasurer,		\$1,646 84

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION FOR 1858, APPROVED DECEMBER 26, 1857.

	Repairs.	Fuel.	Wages.	Provisions.	Bedding.	Insurance, Wharfage, &c.
Appropriation.	\$3,000 00	\$4,000 00	\$3,000 00	\$850 00	\$125 00	\$500 00
Expended.	1,066 61	2,670 31	1,105 45	280 65	125 00	251 00
Bal. unexpended.	\$1,933 39	\$1,329 69	\$1,894 55	\$569 35		\$249 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

By order of the Board of Trustees.

JOHN DEVEREUX,
President.

Philadelphia, May 27th, 1858.

APPENDIX No. 25.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARRISH STREET CULVERT, AND
COHOCKSINK CREEK.

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Special Committee appointed by this Chamber to examine into the present condition of the mouths of the Parrish Street Culvert, and of Cohocksink Creek, beg leave to report, that they have carefully performed said duty, and in the course of their investigation, discovered that the bed of the mouth of said Culvert is

about three feet beneath the bed of the Creek into which it empties; thus diminishing by at least forty per cent. its capacity for drainage. This obstruction, in connection with the incapacity of said Culvert, under the most auspicious circumstances, to pass the immense surface drainage, of two hundred and eighty five acres of territory, which seeks an outlet through it, leads us to the conclusion, that the mouth of said Culvert should be kept entirely free and unobstructed. And in order most effectually to carry out this design, we report and recommend the adoption of the following

RESOLUTION:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be authorized and directed, forthwith, to have the bed of Cohocksink Creek deepened to a level with the bed of the mouth of the Parrish Street Culvert, from a point one hundred feet above said Culvert, down to St. John Street, and to notify the owners or occupants of all factories, work-shops, and other places of business, located along said Creek, that they shall not, after the passage of this Resolution, deposit, or cause to be deposited in said Creek, or on the banks thereof, any substance whatever, calculated to fill up, or obstruct the flow of water therein, under a penalty of five dollars for every such offence; and he shall likewise remove, or cause to be removed, a certain temporary bridge, now spanning said Creek, about fifty feet below the mouth of said Culvert, and also to prohibit the erection of any other over said Creek, unless elevated to the height of the curb, at Third and Culvert Streets, subject to the above penalty for every violation thereof, to be sued for and recovered with costs, before any Alderman of the City, to the use of the Corporation.

THOS. W. STEELLING, *Chairman*,
SOLOMON WAGNER.

APPENDIX No. 26.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the respective claims of the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works, for bills due; of Henry Rohrman, for overpaid taxes; of Alderman John Apple, for official duties; and of Ed. H. Creighton, as Assistant Engineer of Steam Engine Young America, having duly examined the same, respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance, and ask that it may be passed.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 WM. NEAL,
 O. THOMPSON,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

June 1, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation to pay certain Claims against the City.

SECTION 1. That the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of five thousand five hundred and eighty-nine dollars and twenty-five cents be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to pay the following claims. To wit:

1. To the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works, five thousand four hundred and fifty-five dollars and twenty-four cents, for gas consumed by the various departments of the city government, as per account rendered.

2. To Henry Rohrman, for overpaid taxes for 1856, thirty-nine dollars and seventeen cents.

3. To Alderman John Apple, for affidavits taken before him by direction of the Guardians of the Poor, and for services rendered to the Guardians of the Poor in desertion cases

during the years 1857 and 1858, sixteen dollars and sixty-two cents.

4. To pay Edward N. Creighton, seventy-eight dollars and twenty-two cents, for one month and seventeen days' services, in full, as Assistant Engineer of Steam Fire Engine Young America.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn as follows: Item 1 by the Commissioner of City Property. Item 2 by the City Treasurer. Item 3 by the Guardians of the Poor. Item 4 by the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

APPENDIX No. 27.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GAS WORKS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

The Committee on Gas Works, to whom was referred the Resolution adopted by Select Council, inquiring "By what authority the Philadelphia Gas Works charge the inhabitants of Frankford, 23d Ward, \$2 50 per 1,000 cubic feet of Gas," beg leave to report:

That upon examination of the subject, they find the facts to be as follows: Prior to the consolidation of the city, under its present charter, the gas pipes and other gas apparatus in Frankford belonged to the municipal authorities of that Borough: the gas there used being obtained from the Northern Liberties Gas Company, under a written contract for the term of (nearly) five years, at the price of \$2 per thousand feet for all that passed into the pipes of the Borough, as ascertained by a station meter placed near the Borough line. The price then charged to private consumers was \$3 per thousand feet, but on the eve of Consolidation it was reduced to \$2 50 per thousand, which was the price existing when the property of the Borough came into the possession of the City. As, by the Act of Consolidation, the City was bound by the contracts previously made by the several municipalities, no change could be

made in the cost of gas at Frankford, until the expiration of the contract with the Northern Liberties Gas Co., which occurs within the present year.

By the provisions of the Ordinance "For the regulation of the Department of Gas," approved March 20th, 1855, the gas pipes and apparatus in Frankford were placed in charge of the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works, who were "required and empowered so to regulate the price of gas, as may, from time to time, be necessary for carrying out the various trusts confided to them." One of these trusts is the important duty of paying the interest and redeeming the principal of the city debt incurred for the construction of the gas works and the extension of the gas pipes, &c., and as the price thus charged in Frankford, under authority of its Borough Council, was not higher than is found to be necessary for carrying out the trust, there has been no authority under existing law to make any change therein, up to the present time. It further appears, that under the provisions of the Ordinance "For the further extension of the Philadelphia Gas Works," approved May 10th, 1858, negotiations are now pending with some of the local gas companies, which will probably result, in a short time, in arrangements whereby the gas for the 23d Ward will be "supplied by the Gas Works under the management of the Board of Trustees of the City Gas Works," and immediately thereupon the price of gas in that ward must be equalized with that charged in all the wards so supplied, agreeably to the requirements of the third Section of the before-mentioned Ordinance of March 20, 1855.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. CONRAD,
A. B. COOLEY,
JOHN KRIDER,
CHARLES HARBERT,
WM. BRADFORD,
GEORGE REED,
JOHN K. LOUGHLIN,
WM. ROTCH WISTER,
WILSON KERR.

APPENDIX No. 28.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred certain Petitions asking for the paving of certain streets, respectfully report: That after due consideration they have reported a Resolution for the paving of a number of them, and also a Resolution authorizing the Highway Department to do the necessary grading upon them preparatory to paving the same, the cost in each square not to exceed one hundred dollars. Also a Resolution authorizing the Chief Commissioner of Highways to enter into a contract for dirt to fill up Girard Avenue, at the Bridge on Girard Avenue that crosses the Pennsylvania Railroad, in the 24th Ward.

They have also had under consideration a Petition asking for the repaving of Monroe Street, from Second Street to Third Street, and as this street is in a very bad condition, a Resolution is herewith submitted providing for the repaving of it.

They have also had under consideration a Communication from C. V. Naumann, contractor, for grading and filling up at the Bridge at Gunner's Run and Franklin Avenue, in the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the release of himself and sureties from the judgment recorded against them, given to secure the faithful performance of his contract. As the work upon the contract has been completed and paid for by the Department, a Resolution is herewith submitted releasing

the said parties. All of which is respectfully submitted by

JONATHAN BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED DAY,
JOHN M. FORD,
ALEXANDER L. HODGDON,
STEPHEN BENTON,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
D. C. ENOS.

June 2, 1858.

RESOLUTIONS

To authorize the Paving of certain Streets in the several Wards, therein named, and for other purposes.

1. *Resolved*, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the owners of property or a majority thereof fronting on the following named streets, viz : Mifflin Street from Master Street to Jefferson Street, in the Seventeenth Ward—Fourth Street from Cherry Street to Columbia Street, in the Nineteenth Ward—Thompson Street from Thirteenth Street to Broad Street, Merchant Street from Thompson Street to Master Street, in the Twentieth Ward—are hereby authorized to pave the same ; the contractor for doing said work to be a competent paver approved by the Department of Highways, who shall enter into an obligation to the city to keep the said streets in good repair for two years after the paving is finished ; said paving to be carefully supervised by the proper officer of the Department while the same is progressing, and the water pipe to be laid in the said streets before the paving is begun.

2. *Resolved*, That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver for the repaving of Monroe Street from Second Street to Third Street, in the Fourth Ward.

3. *Resolved*, That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for dirt, at 15 cents per yard, to fill up Girard Avenue, at the Bridge on Girard

Avenue that crosses the Pennsylvania Railroad, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

4. *Resolved*, That the City Solicitor be, and is hereby directed to enter satisfaction upon the bond given by C. V. Naumann, contractor, and his sureties, for grading and filling up at the Bridge at Gunner's Run and Franklin Avenue, in the Nineteenth Ward, upon certificate being furnished by the Chief Commissioner of Highways that the work has been completed according to contract.

APPENDIX No. 29.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the Petitions of the Hand in Hand, Mechanic, Western, Fairmount, and Independence Engine Companies, and the Pennsylvania and Fairmount Hose Companies, have examined the claims, and find them correct, and report the following Ordinance.

JACOB MOYER,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
P. B. MINGLE,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
A. MCINTYRE,
O. P. CORNMAN,
THOMAS P. NORMAN.

June 3, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation to pay certain Fire Companies, expenses incurred in the year 1854.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of thirteen hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to

the Fire Department, for the service of the same, for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four : that is to say,

To pay to the Hand in Hand, Mechanic, Fairmount, and Western Fire Engine Companies, each, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars as gratuities to July 1st, 1854.

To pay to the Independence Fire Engine Company, four hundred dollars, as gratuities to July 1st, 1854.

To pay to the Pennsylvania and Fairmount Hose Companies, each, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars as gratuities to July 1st, 1854.

SEC. 2. Warrants for said appropriations shall be drawn by the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, in the form and manner, and with the requisites set forth in existing Ordinances, relating to the drawing of warrants for the payment of money from the City Treasurer.

APPENDIX No. 30.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POOR.

*To the President and Members of the
Select and Common Councils.*

GENTLEMEN :—"The Committee on Poor," to whom was referred the matter relating to payment for the introduction of Gas at the "Alms House," respectfully report, that they have had the same under consideration ; and having examined the work done, and the contract relating thereto, ask the adoption of the annexed Resolve.

GEORGE F. GORDON, *Chairman*,
JOHN R. SAVAGE,
JOHN K. GHEEN,
JAMES M'CAHEN,
J. G. SCHOCH,
N. NATHANS,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
D. C. ENOS,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
STEPHEN BENTON.

June 3, 1858.

RESOLUTION

To pay Claims for introducing Gas into the Alms House.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the City Controller be, and hereby is authorized to countersign warrants to the amount of five thousand dollars for the payment of claims against the "Department of Poor," for the introduction of gas into the "Alms House;" said warrants to be drawn upon Item number sixty-four of appropriations to the said Department for the year 1858.

APPENDIX No. 31.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the
Select and Common Councils.*

GENTLEMEN :—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Petitions from citizens, asking that a Bridge may be constructed over the River Schuylkill on the line of Chestnut Street, having given the subject due consideration, beg leave to refer the Chamber to the reports of the Committee of Surveys and Regulations of the last Councils, with the Report of the Chief Engineer and Surveyor attached, (See pages 154 to 169 Appendix in printed Journal of Common Council, May 11th, to Nov. 13th, 1857,) and also Report of Commission, (Appendix No. 146 of printed Journal Common Council, Nov. 13th, 1857, to May 12th, 1858,) as to the character of bridge approved. And offer the accompanying Bill, hoping that it may meet the sanction of Councils.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
N. NATHANS,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
WM. M. BAIRD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
ROBERT LUTHER,
SAM. W. CATTELL,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
O. H. P. PARKER.

June 2, 1858.

ORDINANCE

For the construction of a Bridge across the River Schuylkill at Chestnut Street.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Chief Engineer and Surveyor and the Chief Commissioner of Highways are hereby authorized to enter into contracts with one or more competent persons, for furnishing all material and performing all work of excavation, embankment, crib-work, piling, masonry, cast-iron work, paving, and painting, and such other work as may be requisite for constructing a cast-iron arched Bridge across the Schuylkill River on the line of Chestnut Street; with such approaches on the line of Chestnut Street, between Twenty-third Street and the Schuylkill River on the east side, and between Bridge-water Street and the Schuylkill River on the west side, as may be requisite and necessary to reach the elevation of roadway on bridge, at the same time allowing a passageway, at Beach Street, of not less width than forty feet in the clear.

SEC. 2. The bridge to be in length not less than 360 feet between the faces of abutments, with one pier in the middle of the river, and in width not less than forty-two feet, with carriage-way of twenty feet between curbs; and of such elevation at the soffit of each arch as will give a clear height above high water, not less than that of Market Street Bridge.

SEC. 3. That it shall be the duty of the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to prepare plans in detail, and corresponding specifications for said bridge, which shall be approved by the Board of Surveyors, and that the contract or contracts entered into for the construction thereof shall be in accordance with such plans and specifications.

SEC. 4. That before entering into said contract or contracts, the Chief Engineer and Surveyor and Chief Commissioner of Highways shall cause advertisements to be published in three daily newspapers in the City of Philadelphia, giving thirty days' notice for sealed proposals for the

construction of said bridge, and that the contract or contracts therefor shall be awarded by them to the lowest and best bidder.

SEC. 5. That no proposal for the construction of said bridge shall be considered by the said Chief Engineer and Surveyor and Chief Commissioner of Highways, unless the same be accompanied by an engagement in writing from two or more sufficient citizens, guaranteeing the faithful execution of the contract, in case such proposal be accepted.

SEC. 6. That payments for said work shall be made in the bonds of the City of Philadelphia, said payments to be made on or about the first of each month during the progress of the work, upon an estimate of the relative value of work done, to be judged of by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor; and upon his certificate being presented to the Chief Commissioner of Highways, four-fifths of the amount of said estimate shall be paid, provided the amount due shall exceed five hundred dollars; and when all the work shall be completed agreeably to the specifications, and in accordance with the directions and to the satisfaction and acceptance of the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, there shall be a final estimate made, when the balance appearing due under contract shall be paid, upon a release being given to the City, under seal, from all claims or demands whatsoever growing out of said agreement.

SEC. 7. That the expense of constructing the said bridge shall be defrayed out of a loan to be hereafter created by the City of Philadelphia, and that no contract shall be entered into nor work done under this Ordinance until such loan shall be created, but when, and so soon as, such loan shall have been duly authorized by law and taken, then, and in such case, this Ordinance shall instantly take effect.

APPENDIX No. 32.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS.

*To the President and Members of Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Petition of property-holders on the line of Twentieth Street between Arch and Summer Streets, in the Tenth Ward, beg leave to present the accompanying Bill, and ask that it may receive your approval.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
WM. M. BAIRD,
N. NATHANS,
O. H. P. PARKER,
ROBERT LUTHER,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL.

May 29, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain, on the line of Twentieth Street, northwardly from Arch Street, in the Tenth Ward.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the owners of property situate on the line of Twentieth Street, between Arch and Summer Streets, (10th Ward,) are hereby authorized to construct a Culvert or Drain, to commence at and intersect the Culvert at Arch and Twentieth Streets, and to extend northwardly along Twentieth Street to the south side of Summer Street; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Highways.

Provided, before the said Culvert is commenced, the parties, who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build it at their own expense, and upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SEC. 2. The said Culvert when completed shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a Drain to said Culvert be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing said Culvert, then and in such case, the parties constructing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit shall be granted, such part of the original cost thereof as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her, or their property thereon; and in case of neglect or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culvert, shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, that the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 33.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Petition of property owners on Norris and Brown Streets, beg leave to report the accompanying Ordinance, authorizing them to construct the Culvert as asked for by them, believing that

the cost thereof will not exceed the amount of assessment on property front, as authorized by the Act of Assembly.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
WM. M. BAIRD,
N. NATHANS,
O. H. P. PARKER,
ROBERT LUTHER,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL.

May 29, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain, on the line of Norris Street, westwardly from Gunner's Run, in the Eighteenth Ward.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the owners of property situate on the line of Norris Street, in the Eighteenth Ward, are hereby authorized to construct a Culvert or Drain, to commence at and intersect the Aramingo Canal, at Norris Street, to extend westwardly along said Norris Street to the westerly side of Brown Street; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Highways. *Provided*, before the said Culvert is commenced, the parties, who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build it at their own expense, and upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SEC. 2. The said Culvert when completed shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a Drain to said Culvert be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing said Culvert, then and in such case the parties constructing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit shall

be granted, such part of the original cost thereof, as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her, or their property thereon; and in case of neglect, or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culvert, shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, that the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 34.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Petitions of Messrs. Billington, Peters, and others, asking for the construction of Inlets at the corner of Girard and Ridge Avenues, and also a petition of Messrs. Hopper, Townsend, Price, and others, asking for Inlets at the corners of Arch and Ninth Streets, report the accompanying bill, and ask its adoption.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
WM. M. BAIRD,
N. NATHANS,
ROBERT LUTHER,
O. H. P. PARKER,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL.

May 29, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of certain Culverts or Drains, on the lines of Girard Avenue and Arch Street, in the Ninth and Twentieth Wards.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the owners of property situate on the line of Girard Avenue, between Eighteenth Street and Ridge Avenue, and also on Arch Street, between Eighth and Ninth Streets, are hereby authorized to construct a Culvert or Drain, from the intersection of Eighteenth and Girard Avenue, on Girard Avenue to the west side of Ridge Avenue, and on the intersection of Eighth and Arch Streets, along Arch Street to the west side of Ninth Street; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Highways. *Provided*, before the said Culvert is commenced, the parties, who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build it at their own expense, and upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SEC. 2. The said Culvert when completed shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a Drain to said Culvert be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing said Culvert, then and in such case the parties constructing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit shall be granted, such part of the original cost thereof as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her, or their property thereon; and in case of neglect or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culvert, shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, that the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 35.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Bill, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the Construction of Branch Culverts or Drains," beg leave to return the same, with their approval, and recommend that it be ordained as an Ordinance of the city. The result will be a saving of both time and expense to the city in legislation; and by placing the construction of private drains in charge of city officers, will ensure better and more efficient work.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
N. NATHANS,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
WM. M. BAIRD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
ROBERT LUTHER,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
O. H. P. PARKER.

June 2, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the Construction of Branch Culverts or Drains.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That hereafter all applications for the construction of branch Culverts or Drains, not exceeding three feet in diameter, shall be made to the Department of Surveys. That every application for the construction of branch Culverts or Drains as aforesaid, shall be signed by a majority of the owners of property fronting

upon the proposed line thereof, and shall contain a statement of the number of feet of frontage thereon owned by each signer, together with a list of all the owners of property along the line thereof, and a statement of the frontage of their several properties thereon.

SEC. 2. Whenever the Chief Engineer and Surveyor shall certify to the Highway Department that the Board of Surveyors have authorized the construction of a branch Culvert or Drain, not to exceed three feet in diameter, it shall be the duty of the said Highway Department to advertise three times in two daily newspapers, inviting proposals for the construction of such branch Culvert or Drain, in accordance with plans and specifications to be furnished by the Department of Surveys, and the said Highway Department shall allot such contract to the lowest and best bidder, who will give the requisite security for the faithful performance of his duties.

SEC. 3. Upon the commencement of any branch Culvert or Drain under the provisions of this Ordinance, it shall be the duty of the Surveyor and Regulator of the District in which said proposed Culvert may be, to return to the Department of Surveys, within ten days after notice, a plan exhibiting the properties fronting on said branch Culvert or Drain, with the names of the owners thereof, and also bills in duplicate, made out against each owner, in accordance with the 8th Section of Supplement to Act of Consolidation, approved 21st April, 1855, in same form as specified in Section 1 of "Ordinance to provide for the payment of expenses incurred in laying pipes for the conveyance of water, &c., approved 29th January, 1855," and Supplement, approved May 10th, 1855, except that the amount thereof shall be made payable at the office of the Department of Highways; the said bills shall be recorded and certified to by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and sent to the Chief Commissioner of Highways; the Surveyor and Regulator to be entitled to the same charge as specified in Schedule of rates for making returns of water-pipe, to be paid by the Chief Commissioner of Highways, and charged to the cost of branch Culvert construction.

SEC. 4. It shall be a condition of the contracts awarded under the provisions of this Ordinance, that the contractor shall accept assessment bills prepared under the foregoing

Section of this Ordinance, and endorsed by the Chief Commissioner of Highways in favor of said contractor, as so much cash paid by the City on the said contract, and that he shall collect the same at his own cost, without recourse to the City, in any event, and the better to enable him so to do, he may use the name of the City of Philadelphia, and employ all legal remedies or proceedings, whether of lien or otherwise, to which the City may be competent; the contractor to obtain the lines and levels necessary for the proper construction of said Culvert or Drain from the Surveyor and Regulator of the District, and pay therefor the sum of two cents per foot lineal.

SEC. 5. Should any of the bills of Culvert assessment, so prepared against the owners of property upon said branch Culvert or Drain, remain in the possession of the City after the contract shall have been completed and paid for, then, and in that case, the Supervisor in whose bounds the branch Culvert or Drain is situate, shall, within ten days after such completion, deliver the said bills to the owner or owners against whom such bills are made out; or if such owner or owners cannot be found, shall place, or cause the same to be placed upon the premises, with the date of delivery marked thereon, and if the same shall not be paid within thirty days from the date of delivery as aforesaid, the duplicates shall have noted thereon the date of their delivery, and shall be returned to the Department of Surveys within five days thereafter; whereupon the said Department of Surveys shall, within ten days, have prepared a full description, by metes and bounds, of each property whose owner or owners have not paid the amount charged against him or them, and deliver the same, with said bill, to the City Solicitor, who shall forthwith file claims for, and proceed to collect the same, as is now practised and allowed by law.

SEC. 6. Should the amount of the bills of assessment for the frontage on any branch Culvert or Drain constructed under this Ordinance be insufficient to meet the requirements of the contract, it shall be the duty of the Chief Commissioner of Highways to pay the balance with a warrant drawn upon the City Treasurer, charged to such item of appropriation made to the Department of Highways as

may be for such purposes intended, under the supervision of the Committee on Highways.

SEC. 7. All persons owning property upon the line of any branch Culvert or Drain, who have paid the Culvert rate as assessed under this Ordinance, and may make application for a culvert connection for private drainage, shall not be subjected to the fee for making an opening into said branch Culvert or Drain, as specified in Ordinance, "Providing for the granting of Permits to make openings into the Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855, and the Supplement thereto.

SEC. 8. In cases where circumstances make it necessary that a branch Culvert or Drain should be constructed, and where a majority of the owners are not in favor of the construction of the same, the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, upon the recommendation of the Board of Surveys, may authorize the construction thereof by Ordinance or Resolution; and whenever the construction of a branch Culvert or Drain shall be so authorized, the same shall be constructed and built by the Department of Highways, as hereinbefore provided.

APPENDIX No. 36.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Communications from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, relative to certain Plans of Line and Grade Regulations, made by direction of Councils, which plans—being for *revisions* of grades previously established—by an order of Court, require the sanction of Councils, previous to their being finally confirmed by said Court, herewith present a Bill, entitled,

"An Ordinance to fix certain revised line and grade regulations," and ask that it may be adopted.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
N. NATHANS,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
WM. M. BAIRD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
ROBERT LUTHER,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
O. H. P. PARKER,
GEO. WILLIAMS.

June 3, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To fix certain revised Line and Grade Regulations.

The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain: That the lines, ascents and descents, as noted upon the following plans, prepared by direction of Councils and approved by the Board of Surveyors, shall be, and the same are hereby fixed and established according to plans now on file in the Department of Surveys, dated March 11th, 1858, which plans are made a part of this Ordinance, any existing Ordinance or Resolution to the contrary notwithstanding.

No. 146. Revised grade for Green Street, from School Street to Rittenhouse Street, in the Twenty-second Ward.

No. 13. " " Wallace, Washington, and Twentieth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

No. 13. " " Landing Avenue, Fifteenth Wd.

No. 103. " " to suit the Bridge constructed over Gunner's Run Canal, in the Nineteenth Ward.

No. 134. 140. " " Second and Third Districts of Frankford, in the Twenty-third Ward.

No. 122. " " on Girard Avenue, from Twentyninth Street, to the River Schuylkill, in the Twentieth Ward.

No. 13. " " lines locating Powelton Avenue, in the Fifteenth and Twenty-fourth Wards.

APPENDIX No. 37.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the claims presented for work done in the late Townships of Blockley and Passyunk, beg leave to report the following Resolution, and ask its adoption.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
WM. B. FOSTER, Jr.,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
SAM. W. CATTELL,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
WM. M. BAIRD,
N. NATHANS,
O. H. P. PARKER,
ROBERT LUTHER,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM.

May 29, 1858.

RESOLUTION

To pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Engineer and Surveyor be authorized, and is hereby directed to draw warrants chargeable to Item 25 of Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of Surveys for the year 1858, approved Jan. 18th, 1858, for work done in the late Township of Blockley, prior to and during the year 1857, in conformity with Acts of Assembly of April 3rd, 1851, and May 13th, 1856; and also warrants chargeable to Item No. 24 for such bills of work made prior to the 1st of January 1858, on the Survey of the late Township of Passyunk—provided said bills are prepared and certified to as directed in Section 28 of Act of Assembly, approved April 18th, 1853, authorizing the prosecution of said Survey.

"And provided also, that no warrant shall be drawn for payment of said claims until the bills so rendered for said surveys shall be approved by the Committee on Surveys and Regulations."

APPENDIX No. 38.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance report a Resolution annexed, the object of which is to describe with greater accuracy the two bonds of John Hemphill, held by the City of Philadelphia, which are referred to in the Resolution of Councils, passed June 3d, 1858, entitled, "A Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to compromise a claim against John Hemphill, a former Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor," and recommend its passage.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
ROBERT KELTON,
EDW. S. HANDY,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
WM. NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

June 10, 1858.

A SUPPLEMENT

To a Resolution, entitled, "A Resolution to authorize the City Solicitor to compromise a Claim against John Hemphill, a former Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor."

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Resolution to which this is

a Supplement, passed June 3d, 1858, shall be construed, considered, and taken to read and refer to "two Bonds now held by the City, each for twelve thousand three hundred and twenty-nine dollars and ninety-four cents, dated April 9th, 1846, payable without interest, the one in nine years, the other in twelve years from date," instead of "two Bonds now held by the City, each for twelve thousand five hundred dollars, dated April 8th, 1846, payable without interest, the one in ten years, the other in twelve years from date."

APPENDIX No. 39.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE ON CLAIM OF G. M. HILL.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Claim of Geo. M. Hill, for amount alleged to be due him as City Commissioner, respectfully report: That as the City Solicitor has given his opinion to the Controller upon this Bill, it requires no action of Councils. They ask the adoption of the annexed Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 EDW. S. HANDY,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 WM. NEAL,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

June 9, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 40.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE,

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the consideration of subject of creating a loan to construct certain Culverts, after a full consideration of the subject, present the accompanying Ordinance, and offer the annexed Resolution for printing and publishing the same, in accordance with the Act of Consolidation, which they ask may be adopted.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
EDW. S. HANDY,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
WM. NEAL.

AN ORDINANCE

To Authorize a Loan to Construct certain Culverts.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, That the Mayor of the City be, and he is hereby authorized to borrow, at not less than par, on the credit of the City corporation, from time to time, as he may be required by the City Treasurer, such sums of money as may be necessary to construct the Cohocksink Creek, Vine Street, Moore Street, and Twenty-fifth Street Culverts, not exceeding in the whole the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, for which interest, at a rate not to exceed six per centum per annum, shall be paid half-yearly, on the first days of January and July, at the office of the City Treasurer. The principal of said loan shall be payable and paid at the expiration of thirty years from the date of

the same, and not before, without the consent of the holders thereof; and certificates therefor, in the usual form of Certificates of City Loan, shall be issued in such amounts as the lenders may require, but not for any fractional part of one hundred dollars, or, if required, in amounts of five hundred or one thousand dollars, with coupons attached for the payment of the interest therein named; the said coupons shall be signed by the City Treasurer, and the said certificates shall have expressed therein, that the said loan therein mentioned, and the interest thereof, are payable free from all taxes.

SEC. 2. Whenever any loan shall be made, by virtue hereof, there shall be, by force of this Ordinance, annually appropriated out of the income of the corporate estates, and from the sums raised by taxation, a sum sufficient to pay the interest on said certificates, and the further sum of three-tenths of one per centum on the par value of such certificates so issued, shall be appropriated quarterly, out of said income and taxes, to a Sinking Fund, which fund and its accumulations are hereby specifically pledged for the redemption and payment of said certificates.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized and required to publish in two daily newspapers of this City, daily, for four weeks, the Ordinance presented to the Common Council, on this tenth day of June, 1858, being a regular stated meeting of Council, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE

To Authorize a Loan to Construct certain Culverts."

And the said Clerk, at the stated meeting of Councils after the expiration of four weeks from the first day of said publication, shall present to the Council one of each of the said newspapers, for every day in which the same shall have been made.

APPENDIX No. 41.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO PAY CLAIM AS PER
DECREE AGAINST THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Communication of the Solicitor in regard to the claims of B. F. Vandyke, Assignee of Daniel B. Page and others, and F. A. Vandyke, Jr., respectfully report that :

One Jacob W. Colladay, in and by certain articles of agreement, dated the 30th day of April, A. D. 1849, undertook with the former District of Kensington, to erect for them their water works, upon certain terms, for the sum of \$140,000.

The mode in which these water works were to be erected, is set forth with much minuteness in the specification annexed to and forming part of the original contract, and they were also to be constructed under the supervision of the Engineer of the District. The price was to be paid in the scrip of the District, as the work progressed, in such sums as the Committee on Water Works should direct, upon the estimates of the Engineer, but with a reservation of at least seven and one half per cent. upon the amount. The works were to be completed on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1851, at which time the reserved amount of seven and one half per cent. of the price was to be paid.

Colladay began the works and had advanced to a certain point therein, when by a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Kensington District, of the 4th day of August, A. D. 1850, it was agreed to recognize Frederick A. Vandyke, Jr., as the real and sole owner of the contract between Colladay and the District; and afterwards, on the 11th of September, A. D. 1850, Colladay actually, and in due form of law, assigned the contract to him.

F. A. Vandyke, Jr., then proceeded with the erection of the water works, and the reports of the Engineer of the

District to the Board of Commissioners, from time to time, shew that the work was approved by him as it progressed. During the course of the work, a considerable amount of extra work, not embraced in the original contract, was done at the request and under the direction of the District.

In the month of December, 1850, the water works were substantially completed.

The Board of Commissioners received the works from the contractors, and substituted a new engine and pump upon a different plan from that required by the original contract, and from that time they, and since the Act of Consolidation, the present City, have kept and used their water works.

There were various assignments made of the claim remaining against the District of Kensington.

By the Report of the Master, the following facts appear, all of which were confirmed by the Supreme Court.

1. That there was paid to the said Colladay, and afterwards to the said Frederick A. Vandyke, Jr., prior to Jan. 1, 1851, the sum of	\$113,949 00
On July 3d, 1851, the further sum of	10,000 00
And on February 12th, 1852, the further sum of	5,800 00

Making in all the sum of	\$129,749 00
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2. That there was done by the said Frederick A. Vandyke, Jr., extra work ordered and approved by the said District, to the value of	\$12,150 80
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For which the said Vandyke has been paid in full.

3. That the said Frederick Vandyke did substantially, and with some trifling exceptions, complete said water works within the time specified in the original contract, in a workmanlike manner, according to the plans and specifications furnished by the said District, and that so far as the same were not wholly completed, and put in successful operation, it was by reason of defects and errors in the said plans and specifications, and also of acts and consent of the Commissioner of the said District, and not by reason of the neglect or default of the said F. A. Vandyke, Jr.

4. That the amount due to the said Fred. A. Vandyke,

Jr., prior to the assignment to Page & Bacon, was as follows:

Original contract price,	.	.	.	\$140,000 00
Due for extra work,	.	.	.	12,150 80
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				\$152,150 80
Less paid as above stated,	.	.	.	129,749 00
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Due F. A. Vandyke, with interest,	.	.	.	22,401 80

There is also due various items of interest, and by the decree of the Court in this case, the City has recovered a claim against her, as follows:

Due the said Benjamin F. Vandyke,	.	\$11,166 67
Due the said Frederick A. Vandyke,		
Jr., the sum of	.	\$14,401 50
Together with the sum of	.	6,265 75
for interest due thereon,	—————	20,667 25
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		\$31,833 92

By the agreement of April 3, 1858, referred to by the City Solicitor, the said sum of thirty-one thousand dollars and upwards can be liquidated for the sum of \$25,000 00, with interest thereon from April 3, 1858, with the costs due thereupon, say \$500.

And offer the accompanying Ordinance, and ask that it may be passed.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 EDW. S. HANDY,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 WM. NEAL,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation for the payment of a Decree against the City of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of twenty-five thousand six hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, as follows :

1. To Benjamin F. Vandyke, complainant in a case in the Supreme Court in Equity, brought to July Term, 1854, No. 8, the sum of eleven thousand two hundred and ninety dollars.

2. To F. A. Vandyke, complainant in a case in the Supreme Court in Equity, brought to July Term, 1854, No. 8, the sum of thirteen thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars.

3. To John K. Findlay, Esq., Master in said case, three hundred dollars.

4. To Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, for costs in said case, thirty-five dollars.

SEC. 2. That warrants for said appropriation shall be drawn by the City Solicitor.

 APPENDIX No. 42.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the Petition of property-holders on Carlton and Callowhill Streets, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth

Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward, asking for a Culvert, report the annexed Ordinance, asking its adoption.

Respectfully,

JONATHAN BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
THOMAS POTTER,
ALFRED DAY,
ALEX. L. HODGDON,
D. C. ENOS,
WM. BRADFORD,
STEPHEN BENTON,
JOHN M. FORD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD.

June 8, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To Authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain, on the line of Carlton Street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the owners of property situate on the line of Carlton Street, between Fifteenth Street and Sixteenth Street, are hereby authorized to construct a Culvert or Drain on Carlton Street, westwardly from Fifteenth Street to Sixteenth Street; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Surveys. *Provided*, Before the said Culvert is commenced, the parties who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant to build it at their own expense, and to pay to the Department of Highways a sufficient sum for the repaving of said street.

SEC. 2. The said Culvert, when completed, shall become the property of the corporation, without condition, except that no permit or permission shall be granted to make any drain thereto, except to persons who may have contributed to the expense of the construction thereof, before he or she shall have paid to the parties so contributing, a sum proportionable to the extent of the front of his or her property

on said Culvert. *Provided*, A certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culvert shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, That the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in the "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved March 3d, 1855. *And Provided further*, That a failure on the part of the property-holders, so applying for said Culvert or Drain, to comply with the said requisitions, shall subject them to a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered in the same manner as debts of the same amount are now, or may hereafter be by law recoverable, and said fine shall be paid into the City Treasury.

APPENDIX No. 43.

RELEASE, &c.

For the opening of George or York, Walnut, Locust, Spruce, Mansion or Thirty-second, Cramond or Thirty-third, and Moore or Thirty-fourth Streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Know all men by these Presents :

That I, John Hanna of the City of Philadelphia, Attorney at Law, and Attorney in fact, of John M. Reed, of the City of New York, Architectural Iron Manufacturer, owner of property on George or York, Walnut, Locust, Spruce, Mansion or Thirty-second, Cramond or Thirty-third, and Moore or Thirty-fourth Streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, have, and hereby do dedicate said streets as laid on the public plan of said City, and of the full width as therein marked and laid out, to and for the public use as Highways.

The said streets running and extending as follows, through the land, owned and possessed as aforesaid, viz :—George or York Street, from a certain distance east of Cramond or Thirty-third Street, extending westwardly to Darby

Road, or Woodland street—Walnut Street, from Mansion or Thirty-second Street, to Darby Road or Woodland Street—Locust Street from Lehman Street, extending westwardly to a certain point owned as aforesaid, west of Cramond or Thirty-third Street—Mansion or Thirty-second Street, from Spruce Street, northward to Walnut Street—Cramond or Thirty-third Street, from Locust Street, northward to a certain point, north of George or York Street, owned as aforesaid,—and Moore or Thirty-fourth Street, from a certain point owned as aforesaid, south of Walnut Street, to Darby Road or Woodland Street.

And do hereby release the City of Philadelphia from all claims of damages for such easement and use, as full and as complete as if damages therefor had been duly assessed by viewers, and paid by the City. So that the City shall, and may take charge of, grade, and keep the same in order, as streets of the said City.

Witness my hand and seal this tenth day of June, A. D. 1858.

JOHN HANNA, Attorney in fact for John M. Reed.

Signed and sealed in the presence of Wm. Brantly Hanna and James R. Solts.

APPENDIX No. 44.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO RELEASE DAVID DOANE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the application of David Doane, to be released from his bond, given for the faithful performance of his contract to build two counting-houses on Green and Coates Street Wharves, respectfully report the following Resolution, and ask its

adoption, the Solicitor having informed the Committee that there is no lien upon the property.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
EDW. S. HANDY,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
WM. NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be instructed to cancel the Bond of David Doane, given for the faithful performance of his contract to construct two counting-houses on Green and Coates Street Wharves.

APPENDIX No. 45.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Ordinance to make an appropriation to pay the expenses of obtaining satisfaction, &c., on two certain mortgages, having presented the same to the City Solicitor for his examination, upon his recommendation they respectfully report the Ordinance back to Councils, and ask its passage.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
EDW. S. HANDY,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
WM. NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
THOMAS POTTER.

June 17, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation to pay the expenses of obtaining satisfaction on two certain Mortgages against the Estate known as the Manayunk Poor House.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the payment of the legal and other expenses requisite to procure the authority of the Court for the satisfaction of the following mortgages, which appear of record against the Manayunk Poor House property, which it is supposed have long since been paid off: that is to say, one of the said mortgages given by John Righter to Sarah Woodward, dated April 26th, A. D. 1798, for 200 pounds, recorded in Mortgage Book No. 16, page 468, &c. The other given by John Davis to Isaac Bringham, dated March 8th, A. D. 1809, for \$669 22, recorded in Mortgage Book J. C., No. 1, page 75, &c.; and upon the receipt of the consideration money from the purchasers of the said property, the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay or allow the said amount of one hundred dollars out of the payment aforesaid.

 APPENDIX No. 46.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report, That by reason of the slow progress made in the collection of the Taxes of the present year, and also in view of the deficiency of Receipts in the past year, (some of which it will be proposed to supply by a Permanent Loan, at an early date,)

they are constrained to present the annexed Ordinance, to authorize a Temporary Loan for a short period.

And they ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
EDW. S. HANDY,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
WM. NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
THOMAS POTTER.

June 17, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize a Temporary Loan.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the City Treasurer with the approbation of the Committee on Finance, be, and he is hereby authorized to borrow on the credit of the Corporation, such sums of money, as may be necessary to meet the current demands on the City Treasury, not exceeding in the aggregate four hundred thousand dollars, and redeemable at, or within ninety days from the date of such loans, for which sums so borrowed, certificates of City debt shall issue in the form prescribed in existing ordinances, bearing interest at the rate of not exceeding six per centum per annum, and which shall be transferable in the same manner as other certificates of City debt.

APPENDIX No. 47.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Highways, having had under consideration the Communication asking for the

grading of Pratt Street from Forty-first Street to Forty-second Street, in the 24th Ward, have visited that locality, and report a Resolution providing for the grading of the same, so as to make it passable, at an expense not exceeding one hundred dollars.

They also report a Resolution providing for the grading of Ninth Street from Morris Street to McKean Street, in the First Ward, limiting the expense to four hundred dollars. This work must be proceeded with, as it is necessary to relieve the neighborhood from the accumulation of water at that point, property in the neighborhood having been already seriously injured, and the City being liable to damage therefor.

They also report a Resolution giving permission to Isaac Norris, and other property-owners on the line of Jasper Street, to construct a Culvert on the same at their expense; the City to be at no expense, except for the inlets to connect with it.

They have also had under consideration a Petition asking for the opening and grading of Johnson Street from Nineteenth to Twentieth Streets; inasmuch as the said Johnson Street has never been dedicated to the City, and is not of the width required by the Consolidation Act to make it a public street, they report adversely to the prayer of the petitioners.

They have also had under consideration a Petition asking for the paving of Christian Street from Gray's Ferry Road to Sutherland Avenue, in the First Ward; and Philip Street from Chatham to Diamond Street, in the Nineteenth Ward; as a majority of the property-owners on the line of said streets have not signed the Petitions, they decline reporting a Resolution for the paving of the same.

They have also had under consideration a Resolution to have the bed of Cohocksink Creek deepened to a level with the bed of the mouth of the Parrish Street Culvert. They have given the matter due consideration, and do not think

the remedy proposed would remove the evil of the overflow of water at that point.

Respectfully submitted by

JONATHAN BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 ALFRED C. HARMER,
 NATHAN W. ELLIS,
 ALEX. L. HODGDON,
 JOHN M. FORD,
 WM. BRADFORD,
 D. C. ENOS,
 STEPHEN BENTON,
 ALFRED DAY.

June 15, 1858.

RESOLUTIONS

To Authorize the Grading of Pratt Street and Ninth Street, and the construction of a Culvert on Jasper Street, in the Nineteenth Ward.

1. *Resolved*, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to grade Pratt Street, westward from Logan Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, so as to make it passable for travel, at an expense not to exceed one hundred dollars.

2. *Resolved*, That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to grade Ninth Street from Morris Street to McKean Street, in the First Ward, at an expense not to exceed four hundred dollars; said work to be done by contract with the lowest bidder by proposals to be advertised for in two daily papers.

3. *Resolved*, That Isaac Norris is hereby authorized to construct a Culvert, to commence at and intersect with the York Street Culvert, to extend along the line of Jasper Street from the north-east corner of Dauphin Street to York Street, in the Nineteenth Ward, to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Surveys. *Provided*, Before the said Culvert is commenced, the parties, who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant to build it at their own expense, and upon its completion to restore

the pavement to its present condition ; and that the said Culvert, when completed, shall become the property of the Corporation, without condition, except that no permit or permission shall be granted to make any drain thereto, except to persons who may have contributed to the expense of the construction thereof, before he or she shall have paid to the parties so contributing, a sum proportionable to the extent of the front of his or her property on said Culvert. *Provided*, A certificate of approval and acceptance thereof, from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culverts, shall have been filed in the office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, That the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved March 3d, 1855. *And Provided further*, That a failure on the part of the property-holders so applying for said Culvert, to comply with the said requisitions, shall subject them to a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered in the same manner as debts of the same amounts are now, or may hereafter be by law recoverable, and said fine shall be paid into the City Treasury ; and the Highway Department is hereby authorized to construct, at the expense of the City, the necessary inlets to connect with the said Culvert.

APPENDIX No. 48.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department respectfully report, that they have had before them the Resolution in regard to the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, suspending any Companies engaged in

fighting or rioting, until reported to Councils. They report the following Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER,
O. P. CORNMAN,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
A. MCINTYRE,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
P. B. MINGLE.

June 17, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Chief Engineer to suspend riotous and disorderly Fire Companies.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby empowered to suspend any Fire Engine, Hose, or Hook and Ladder Company, which may be guilty of riotous or disorderly conduct at, or in going to, or returning from fires, or during alarms of the same, or which may be guilty of any disobedience of his orders, or those of his Assistants; and it shall be his duty to report at the next stated meeting of Councils, the name or names of such Company or Companies, so suspended by him, with a detailed statement of the facts and causes therefor.

SEC. 2. That the Report of the Chief Engineer suspending any such Company from service, shall thereupon be referred to the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, who shall examine the charges so preferred by the Chief Engineer, and report to Councils such further action in the premises as they may deem necessary and proper.

SEC. 3. That the appropriation made to any Fire Engine, Hose, or Hook and Ladder Company, which may be suspended by the action of the Chief Engineer, or by Councils in pursuance of the recommendation of the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, or which may be suspended or expelled by Councils, shall be withheld from said Company during such suspension, and a sum deducted therefrom, equal to the proportion which would have been

due, and payable to said Company during its suspension, if such suspension had not been made; and that the whole appropriation due and payable to such Company, shall be forfeited upon its expulsion from the Department.

APPENDIX No. 49.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Retrenchment have deemed it advisable to recommend to Councils a reduction in the number of policemen, and also a reduction in the salaries of officers and men, and ask the adoption of the Supplement which accompanies this Report.

The Committee believe that it is incumbent upon Councils to curtail the expenses of our Municipal Government, whenever and wherever it can be done, without impairing its efficiency; as this is the only way to lessen the burden of taxation, which bears so heavily upon our citizens. The present number of policemen is 650. There are 16 lieutenants and 32 sergeants, making together 698 men and officers. The Committee propose to reduce this number to 600, including officers; thereby cutting off 98 men.

The first Councils after Consolidation, started with 820 men, exclusive of officers. Each Ward was made a Police District, with one lieutenant, and two sergeants, making 72 officers. Men and officers together numbered 892.

This large force was thought to be necessary at that time, inasmuch as the Fire Companies kept the City in an uproar day and night with their rioting and fighting. It is questionable whether more than half of this number would have been thought of, had it not been for the disorders of the Fire Department. In November 1855, about the time the Fire Companies were re-organized and reduced to order, the same Councils reduced the police force to what it now is,

and what it has been ever since. Your Committee believe it may be still further reduced without endangering the peace of the City, or impairing the efficiency of our Government.

It is the fear of sudden outbreaks that makes it necessary for the City to keep, at its command, so large a police force. But the facility afforded by the Police Telegraph, in suddenly concentrating the force wherever it is needed, is deemed by the Committee to be equal to 200 men. The cost of this valuable instrument was about \$32,000, and it is maintained at an annual expense of only \$2,300. Its chiefest value consists in its power to concentrate the force on a sudden emergency.

Let us take a view of the action of the City Councils, under the old system of watching, and see what their wisdom dictated, with regard to a police force. So lately as 1836, we find "that in order to provide for the security of the persons and property of the inhabitants of the City of Philadelphia, by a sufficient number of watchmen, agreeably to the will of Stephen Girard, Councils ordained that there should be 4 captains of the watch, 32 silent, and 140 watchmen, who should perform the duties of lighting and watching the City. The pay of the watchmen under the stimulus of the donation of Stephen Girard, for this very purpose, was \$365 per annum. Each captain of the watch was paid \$500 per annum. Here we have 172 men and officers, at a cost of only \$64,780, to keep the citizens secure in their persons and property. The police force now for the same territory, consists of 230 men, 4 lieutenants, and 8 sergeants, at a cost of \$122,400, besides the cost of lighting and cleaning the lamps. This is nearly 100 per cent. advance. So lately as 1846, Spring Garden had 33 watchmen, 1 captain, and 1 lieutenant, at a cost of only \$14,300, for the security of persons and property. At the present time, the three wards, composing the same territory, are entitled to a force of 87 men, 2 lieutenants, and 4 sergeants, at a cost of \$47,200. More than 300 per cent. advance. The practice of placing policemen at Steamboat Landings, and Railroad Depots, at Theatres, and places of amusement, at shows and exhibitions, to prevent disorder, and detect pick-pockets, draws largely upon the force. Frequent applications are made to the Mayor for police-

men, by individuals, whose object is to bring together large bodies of persons for various purposes. Your Committee are of the opinion, that all such applications, whether from companies or individuals, should be met by the Mayor, by qualifying, as he has a right to do, as many special policemen as the applicants may desire, to protect them and their property, *at their own expense*; thus leaving his own force, for the general purposes of a police.

As regards the reduction of salaries, your Committee are of the opinion that City Councils, as agent for the City, and disbursers of the funds of their constituents, should use them with the same care and economy that each member of Councils would use his own. And by what standard does each business man regulate the management of his own affairs, but by the universal standard of supply and demand? Ought members of Council to establish a different rule from that of individuals, when they are using other people's money instead of their own? Circumstances, we are all aware, are very different now from what they were when the present salaries were fixed. Your Committee have no hesitation in declaring, that as regards the wages of the working classes, from which the police force is principally derived, there is fully a reduction of 25 per cent. And what is still more unfortunate for this class, fully 25 per cent. are not able to obtain any employment at all. City Councils had no agency in bringing about this state of things, but like all other employers and employees, they must yield to circumstances which they cannot control. Your Committee deplore this state of things, but they look forward with a consoling hope that the time will soon arrive when our own labor, the labor of this City, and this country, will be fully employed in contributing to the comforts and luxuries of our people. Labor is the great pulsation of the country, as it rises and falls the country must rise and fall also. In this depressed condition of affairs, when those who supply our treasury find it so difficult to obtain the funds, would Councils be justified in retaining the salaries that were paid in 1854, when every department was in the full tide of prosperity? Let us look at the salaries that were paid just before Consolidation. In 1848, when taxes were much lower than they are now, the old City Councils fixed the compensation of the police force as

follows: captains of the night policemen \$600 per annum, lieutenants, \$450, day policemen, \$400, night policemen, \$380, turnkeys, \$365. These salaries are lower than we propose to fix them now. Even in 1850 the Marshal's police were paid but \$400 per annum, and the lieutenants \$2 per day. If lowering the salaries of the police would prevent a large class of our mechanics from the ardent pursuit of office, which is always of a precarious tenure, much good would be accomplished by the measure.

In former years at this season, we have been accustomed to see our city expanding into the country by the erection of long rows of buildings, north, south, and west. The cheerful sound of the hammer and the saw was heard throughout our borders. What has paralysed this business? Capital is abundant, seeking investment at very low rates. The answer is, that it will not pay. The burden of taxation is so great as to destroy all enterprise in this direction. Hence the cause of so many mechanics in this line seeking employment; and hence the cause of the difficulty in the payment of taxes. Capitalists will not build upon account of the heavy taxes, and mechanics in this line cannot pay their taxes because they have no employment. The compensation we have accorded to the police is greater than will be obtained by industrious, intelligent mechanics of this City. Your Committee have calmly discussed this question of retrenchment in relation to the Police Department. Other departments, in their turn, will be subjected to the same scrutiny. They are satisfied that the reductions they propose are correct, under the circumstances. They are satisfied also, that the tax-payers demand them, upon whom the burden falls of supplying the treasury. Let the new Councils practise after they are elected, what *they preached before the election*. Should they approve the Ordinance the Committee have prepared, there will be a saving in this department alone of \$100,000.

WM. NEAL,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
A. B. COOLEY,
HIRAM MILLER,
ROBERT LUTHER,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
JOHN F. MASCHER.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an Ordinance approved November 15th, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to Re-organize the Police Department of the City of Philadelphia."

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the executive police force and watchmen of the City of Philadelphia, including lieutenants, sergeants, high constables, and special officers, and turnkeys, shall be six hundred men, and they shall be distributed among the police districts as the Mayor shall from time to time direct.

SEC. 2. From and after the passage of this Ordinance, the salaries of the police force shall be as follows :

High Constables, . . .	\$600	per annum, payable monthly.			
Special Officers, . . .	560	"	"	"	"
Lieutenants, . . .	550	"	"	"	"
Sergeants, . . .	500	"	"	"	"
Policemen, . . .	400	"	"	"	"
Messengers, . . .	400	"	"	"	"
Turnkeys, . . .	400	"	"	"	"

SEC. 3. That so much of any and all former Ordinances as are altered or supplied by the provisions of this Ordinance, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

 APPENDIX No. 50.

REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE TO WHOM WAS REFERRED
THE RESOLUTIONS AND PETITION COMMUNICATED BY THE
BOARD OF HEALTH, IN REGARD TO THE COHOCKSINK CREEK
NUISANCE.

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Select Committee, to whom was referred the Resolutions and Petition in relation to the "Cohocksink Creek Nuisance," transmitted to this chamber by the Board of Health, respectfully report: That they have

visited the locality complained of, and found upon examination, that the recent heavy rains have caused the usual freshets and sudden rise in the creek, which, by overflowing its banks, has inundated the cellars along its line, causing great loss and inconvenience to the owners of property and citizens residing in that vicinity. In many instances the residents on the line of the creek were compelled, during the continuance of the flood, to abandon the lower stories of their houses, while the water, upon retiring, has left a filthy and disease-engendering deposit upon the premises.

Your Committee would further state that the creek appears to be a receptacle for the filth, carrion, offal, and rubbish of the neighborhood through which it flows, thereby rendering it in the highest degree offensive, and, as we believe, prejudicial to the health of the citizens who reside or conduct business in that part of the city.

Your Committee, in prosecuting the duties of their appointment, found that the banks of the creek were occupied by slaughter-houses, breweries, privies, morocco factories, tan yards, glue factories, bone-boiling and other establishments, from which disgusting, offensive, and unwholesome matter is constantly discharged into it; and as the tide, in consequence of the great accumulation of mud and filth in the bed of the creek, seldom flows beyond the bridge at the Germantown Road, all west of that point, except in time of a freshet, is a stagnant pool, or sluggish stream, favorable to the creation of a malarious atmosphere, which must inevitably spread disease and death wherever its influence extends.

At the point where the Parrish or Culvert Street culvert empties into the Cohocksink Creek, the mud and filth has accumulated to such an extent that at least one half of the capacity of said culvert is destroyed, and the property on the entire line of Culvert and Parrish Streets, and the surrounding neighborhood, liable after heavy rains, to damage and destruction.

It is the conviction of your Committee, after a full investigation of all the circumstances, that the exigency of the case demands that a culvert should be immediately constructed on the line of Cohocksink Creek. This can be the only effectual and permanent remedy for the nuisance so loudly and justly complained of by the citizens residing in

its vicinity; and we therefore recommend to Councils to make the necessary appropriation for effecting that purpose, and ask the adoption of the following Resolution.

MAHLON H. DICKINSON, *Chairman*,
THOS. W. STEELLING,
JOHN F. MASCHER,
RICHARD WILDEY,
JOSEPH MEGARY.

June 17, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 51.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUNDS.

Philadelphia, June 21, 1858.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Commissioners of the Sinking Funds beg leave to amend their report, dated May 8th, of the statement of the Sinking Fund of the City Debt of \$10,000,000, in which two clerical errors occurred: one being in the investment of May 3, which should read “\$75,400 00 six per cent. loan,” instead of “\$75,100 00,” as therein stated; and the other the omission of \$66,600 00, six per cent. loan, sold to pay the loans maturing July 1, 1857, which was not deducted from the gross amount; and respectfully ask that the accompanying table may be substituted in lieu of the one then submitted.

They also submit to Councils an abstract of their proceedings in regard to certain properties liable to be sold for the non-payment of interest on mortgages secured against them, due January 1, 1858, together with the reply of the City Solicitor in the premises, and respectfully request that Councils will take such action as will authorize the Commissioners of the Sinking Funds, or some other party, to

bid for properties offered for sale under such circumstances, so as to protect the interests of the City to the full amount of its claim.

Very respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY, } *Commissioners*
S. TAYLOR, } *of the*
JOHN WELSH, } *Sinking Funds.*

Attest—WM. ENGLISH,

Secretary.

SINKING FUND OF THE CITY DEBT OF TEN MILLIONS.

1857.		
Oct. 15,	By balance, - - - - -	\$60,885 54
1858.		
Jan. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - -	25,000 00
Jan. 20,	" Cash from Wm. Maule, acc. of Mortgage, -	1,400 00
Feb. 24,	" " Wm. Holmes, - - -	200 00
Mar. 8,	" " J. Blackburn and P. Tickner, -	170 00
" "	" " Peryer Tickner, - - -	430 00
" "	" " Henry R. Lewis, - - -	170 00
Mar. 10,	" " Wm. L. Hirst, City Solicitor, advance purchase money on city lots sold to Wm. Holmes, Blackburn & Tickner, Peryer Tickner, and H. R. Lewis, -	250 00
Mar. 10,	" Six months' interest, - - -	4,450 70
Apr. 1,	" Quarterly Appropriation, - - -	25,000 00
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		117,956 24
1857.		
June 30,	To amount uninvested this day, applied toward the extinguishment of the public debt under Ordinance of July 30, 1857, -	978 00
Nov. 2,	To Cash paid for \$31,300 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - -	25,040 00
" 30,	To Cash paid for \$216 67, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, \$378 62, Certificates 5 per ct. City Loan, - - -	521 52
1858.		
Mar. 31,	To Cash paid for \$200 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, \$363 78, Certificates 5 per ct. City Loan, - - -	505 51
May 3,	To Cash paid for \$75,400 00, (original \$75, - 100 00) Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, -	72,560 51
" 6,	To Cash paid for \$6,200 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - -	6,022 50
" 8,	To Cash paid for \$12,400 00, Certificates 6 per ct. City Loan, - - -	12,231 00
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		117,859 04
	Cash balance, - - -	\$97 20

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

To amount invested in City Loans, per report,		
Oct. 15, 1857, - - -	\$193,378 84	
To amount invested in City Loans, per fore-		
going statement, - - -	126,459 07	
	<hr/>	319,837 91
By amount sold to pay funded debt, due July		
1, 1857, (omitted in the original), - -	66,600 00	
By amount sold to pay funded debt, due Jan.		
1, 1858, - - - - -	68,900 00	
	<hr/>	135,500 00
May 8, Amount invested in City Loans, this date, -		\$184,337 91

Philadelphia, June 14, 1858.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Funds, held this day, at 12 o'clock, noon, the following was received from the City Treasurer, to wit :

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 14, 1858. }

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Funds.

GENTLEMEN :—I have in my custody, belonging to the Sinking Fund under your control, twenty-three bonds and mortgages of amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$3,887 00, and one of for \$1,560 00, which were received by the City on account of property sold them at public sale, upon which the interest due on the 1st of January last remains unpaid.

I am respectfully, &c.,

WM. V. McGRATH,
City Treasurer.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Welsh, it was

Resolved, That said mortgages be placed in the hands of the City Solicitor for collection of the principal and interest on the same ; and that in case the sale of the several properties is made, where the said mortgages are respectively secured, that he be requested to bid, in behalf of the City, such amounts as shall fully cover the respective debts.

Extract from the minutes.

Attest—WM. ENGLISH,
Secretary.

CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 19, 1858. }

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Funds.

GENTLEMEN :—A copy of your Resolution, directing me to purchase certain real estate, has been received.

The Ordinance creating the Commissioners of the Sinking Funds, gives you no authority to purchase real estate for the City of Philadelphia, or direct me to do so.

Directions such as this, will be obeyed by this Department when it comes from the bodies in whom the legislative powers of the City are vested.

Judgments will be obtained upon the mortgages sent to this Department for collection, but no process to sell the property upon which such mortgages are an incumbrance, will be issued until Councils shall authorize the protection of the interests of the City, by preventing the said property from being sold for less than the principal and interest of said mortgages, and the costs incurred thereon.

Respectfully,
 HENRY T. KING,
City Solicitor.

APPENDIX No. 52.

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CITY LOANS, TO PAY FUNDED DEBT, DUE JULY 1, 1858.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance, authorizing the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to sell City Loans, and to appropriate the proceeds to the payment of the principal of the Funded Debt that falls due on the 1st July, 1858. And ask that it may be passed.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 WM. NEAL,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 EDW. S. HANDY,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

June 22, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the sale of the City Loans, to pay the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on July 1st, 1858, and to make an appropriation for the payment of the same.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund are hereby authorized and directed to sell, at fair market rates, so much of the Six per cent Loans of the City of Philadelphia, now forming a part of the Sinking Fund of the City, as will produce the sum of fifty-six thousand and seventy-eight dollars and twenty-six cents; which said sum is hereby appropriated, when realized by such sales, to the payment of the principal of the Funded Debt of said City, falling due on the first day of July, 1858.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the payment of the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, in the manner and form, and with the requisites prescribed in existing Ordinances, respecting the drawing of warrants for the payment of money from the City Treasury.

APPENDIX No. 53.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report the accompanying ordinance, making an appropriation to pay the interest on the funded debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on 1st July, 1858. And ask that it may be passed.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
ROBERT KELTON,
WM. NEAL,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
EDW. S. HANDY,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

June 22, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the interest on the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on the first of July, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Five hundred and sixty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the interest of the Funded Debt of the City of Philadelphia, falling due on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

SECTION 2. Warrants for the payment of the said interest shall be drawn as follows: The City Treasurer shall present to the Mayor a list of the Loan holders, to be paid, as aforesaid, the amount of the principal of the debt owned by them respectively; the rate and amount of interest accrued; the amount of the State Tax to be deducted and retained; and the net sum due for interest; and at the foot of said list the Mayor shall add the following warrant

MAYOR'S OFFICE (*Date.*)

To the City Treasurer.

Pay to the persons and Corporations above named, the amounts respectively due them as above set forth, for interest on City debt due.

Signed by

———Mayor

The said list and warrants shall then be presented to the Controller to be countersigned.

APPENDIX No. 54.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, WITH RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE SURETIES OF GEO. W. HUFTY AS CITY CONTROLLER.

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the sufficiency of the sureties offered by Mr. Geo. W. Hufty, for the faithful performance of his duties as City Controller, to which office he was duly elected at the election held on the 4th day of May, 1858. And

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
 WM. NEAL,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 EDW. S. HANDY.

June 22, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of Geo. W. Hufty, City Controller.

Resolved, By Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by Mr. Geo. W. Hufty, for the faithful performance of his duties as City Controller, to wit: Robert Clifton, James Chambers, John Evans, and Wm. G. Conrow, be accepted, and that the City Solicitor be requested to receive the Bond, and enter it of record.

APPENDIX No. 55.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, June 24th, 1858. }

*To the President and Members of the Common
 Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The accompanying statements exhibit the present number and disposition of the Police Force of the City of Philadelphia, the returns made June 1st, 1858, by the Lieutenants of Police of the property of the City at their respective station houses, the several balances on the

11th day of May, 1858, of the items of appropriation to the Police Department for the current year, and the claims presented for materials furnished and work done at different station houses, in excess of the special appropriations for construction and repairs.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

	Beats.		Patrol.		Operators.		Turnkeys.		Total.
	Day.	Night.	Day.	Night.	Day.	Night.	Day.	Night.	
First District,	7	17	6	38	1	1		1	47
Second District,	10	20	10	39	1	1	1	1	53
Third District,	6	16	3	33	1	1	1	1	40
Fourth District,	5	22	5	36	1	1			43
Fifth District,	9	28	9	57	1	1	1	1	70
Sixth District,	10	30	8	58	1	1	1	1	70
Seventh District,	5	12	5	22	1	1		1	30
Eighth District,	4	14	4	25	1	1	1	1	33
Ninth District,	8	12	7	27	1	1		1	37
Tenth District,	4	20	4	40	1	1	1	1	48
Eleventh District,	6	20	6	40	1	1	1	1	50
Twelfth District,	5	11	5	22	1				28
Thirteenth District,	2	6	2	11	1	1			15
Fourteenth District,	2	6	2	6	1	1			10
Fifteenth District,	2	6	2	11	1				14
Sixteenth District,	6	5	6	10	1	1		1	19
Office,					3	2	1	2	8
	91	245	84	475	19	16	8	13	615

Reserved Corps,	28
Mounted men,	3
Chief's Clerk, detailed from police duty,	1
Chief's Messenger, detailed from police duty,	1

Total Police Force on duty, June 24, 1858, 648

The remainder of the force is as follows :

Chief of Police,	1
High Constables,	8
Special Officers,	4
Lieutenants of Police,	16
Sergeants of Police,	32

Detailed Report of Property belonging to the Police Department, as returned June 1st, 1858, by the Lieutenants of the several Police Districts.

	First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.	Fifth.	Sixth.	Seventh.	Eighth.	Ninth.	Tenth.	Eleventh.	Twelfth.	Thirteenth.	Fourteenth.	Fifteenth.	Sixteenth.	Total.
Beds and Mattresses,*	23	54	50	24	73	90	42	36	38	49	48	41	10	8	8	20	614
Pillows,	13	45		21	73	68	39		37	30	48	40	10	8		20	443
Settees,	20	27	14		9		18	26	20	10	31	4		7			193
Chairs,		14	7	8	14	15	9	6	8	3		6	10	4	8		112
Benches and Ladders,		8		11	11						2	1	4				37
Tables,		3	1	2	3	1	1			3	1	4		1	1		21
Looking Glasses,		2		1		2	1	1									7
Desks,		2	1	2		4	4	1	2		2	4		1	1	2	29
Stoves and Scuttles,		3	1	2	2	3	2		4	4	3	5	1	3	1	2	36
Clocks,			1		1	1	3	1	1	1	2	2	1		1		15
Spittoons,			24		15		4	6	21	23	6				3	7	109
Rattles,	3	11	9	16	27	14	8	11	9	22	14	12	7	2	8	8	181
Pistols,					2	1			1		3	5		1	3		16
Tons of Coal,	6	8	1	80	5	43		50	4		2						199

The Lieutenants also report sundry small articles at the respective station houses, such as police manuals, record books, stars, and the telegraph apparatus not herein specially enumerated.

Bills have been presented for coal delivered on the 8th of May last, as follows :

Fourth District Station House,	63 tons at \$4 75,	299 25
Sixth " " "	43 " "	204 25
Eighth " " "	46 " "	218 50
Which, with the charge for putting away,		49 00
amount to \$771 00.		

This coal having been delivered without proper authority, payment of the bills has been refused, and notice has been given requiring its removal. Three station houses thus filled contain more fuel than would be consumed in two years, and the balance of the appropriation that would remain after payment for such coal, would be insufficient for the supply of the other station houses, most of which are entirely unprovided for.

* Of the above in the various station houses, about 200 are old and in bad condition.

A Statement showing the amount appropriated to each item for the expenses of the Police Department for the year 1858, the amount expended, and the balance remaining to the credit of said Department, May 11th, 1858.

Item	Object of Appropriation.	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Expended.	Balance.
1	Salary of Mayor, Mayor's Clerk, and two Messengers,	\$5,500 00	\$1,263 62	\$3,536 38
2	Salary of 8 High Constables, 4 Special Officers, 16 Lieut's, and 32 Serg.,	37,600 00	12,284 71	25,315 29
3	Salary of Chief of Police,	1,500 00	500 00	1,000 00
4	Salary of 650 Policemen,	325,000 00	107,206 61	217,793 39
5	Rent of 9th District Station House,	275 00	68 75	206 25
6	Fuel,	2,000 00	810 37	1,189 63
7	Conveyance of Prisoners,	5,200 00	1,670 99	3,529 01
8	Cleansing of Station Houses,	2,652 00	859 36	1,792 64
9	Meals and Medical Attendance,	400 00	155 69	244 31
10	Repairs to Station House,	900 00	519 26	380 74
11	Stationery and Printing,	1,000 00	846 73	153 27
12	Arrest and Conviction of Offenders, and Foreign Telegraphic Expenses,	1,175 00	112 16	1,062 84
13	Bedding, Badges, and Rattles,	800 00	185 62	614 38
14	Stoves & Heaters, and repairs to same,	800 00	122 35	677 65
15	Expense of taking up and killing dogs,	1,000 00		1,000 00
16	Incidental Expenses, Postage and Portage,	750 00	218 82	531 18
17	Salary of Superintendent and Assistant Police & Fire Alarm Telegraph,	1,700 00	565 45	1,134 55
18	Acids and repairs to Telegraph,	750 00	276 57	473 43
19	Expense in procuring and in the investigation of alleged violations of law,	1,500 00	81 37	1,418 63
20	Bills contracted in 1857,	1,500 00	1,380 96	119 04
Total,		392,002 00	129,829 39	262,172 61

Sundry bills for various petty items purchased prior to May 11th, 1858, amounting to \$64 42, have been received and paid since that time.

Amount appropriated Nov. 6th, 1857, for repairs to 2d District Station House, (3d and 4th wards),	1,000 00
Expended for same, - - -	986 56

Balance merged Dec. 31st, 1857, -	13 44
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Bills rendered and remaining unpaid for 2d District Station House, June 1st, 1858, viz:

G. W. Shade, Painting and Glazing, -	\$57 00
J. P. Evans, Brick, -	118 62
John W. Faull, Carpenter Work, &c., -	821 40
Total, - - -	997 02

Amount appropriated Nov. 6, 1857, for repairs to 3d District Station House (5th ward),				\$1,250 00
Expend for same,	-	-	-	1,214 88

Balance merged Dec. 31st, 1857,	-	35 12
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Bills rendered and remaining unpaid for 3d District Station House, June 1st, 1858, viz :

G. W. Robertson, Plumbing, &c.,	-	-	\$22 02
John McFaull, Carpenter Work, &c.,	-	-	447 12
Total,	-	-	469 14

Amount appropriated Nov. 6th, 1857, for repairs to 6th District Station House, (9th and 10th wards),				\$850 00
Expend for same,	-	-	-	593 30

Balance merged Dec. 31st, 1857,	-	256 70
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Bills rendered and remaining unpaid for 6th District Station House, June 1st, 1858, viz :

C. B. Cooper, Brick Work, &c.,	-	-	\$308 22
W. H. Patton, Paper Hanging,	-	-	33 39
James Mahon, Gas Fitting,	-	-	74 32
David Brown, Hauling, &c.,	-	-	21 63
Randolph & Ramsay, Carpenter Work,	-	-	668 74
Williams & Stokes, Lumber,	-	-	207 63
William Barger, Painting and Glazing,	-	-	125 00
J. Johnston & Co., Plumbing,	-	-	129 82
William Farris & Co., Iron Work,	-	-	63 20
Ford & Strode, Plastering,	-	-	170 00
Stevenson & Maris, Lumber,	-	-	15 80
J. T. Linnard, Hardware,	-	-	61 86
			1,879 61

Amount appropriated Nov. 6th, 1857, for repairs to 10th District Station House, (16th and 17th wards),				\$700 00
Expend for same,	-	-	-	699 50

Balance merged Dec. 31st, 1857,	50
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Bills rendered and remaining unpaid for 10th District Station House, June 1st, 1858, viz :

Davis & Dolby, Painting and Glazing,	-	\$19 00
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Amount appropriated Nov. 6th, 1857, for new Station House, 11th District, (18th and 19th wards),		\$2,800 00
Expended for same,	- - -	2,799 97

Balance merged Dec. 31st, 1857,	-	03
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Bills rendered and remaining unpaid for 11th District Station House, June 1st, 1858, viz :

Michael Comber, Brown Stone, &c.,	-	\$194 50
Reaney, Hess & Co., Iron Work,	- -	624 68
H. J. White, Hardware and Gas Burners,	-	477 22
Smith & Mixell, Lumber,	- - -	1,403 48
John Nowlan, Blacksmithing,	- -	194 87
J. W. Wade, Tinsmithing,	- - -	149 61
Michael Comber, Sundries,	- - -	55 25
John Brady, Hardware,	- - -	127 25
Abner Jones, Plastering,	- - -	575 00
Thomas & Brown, Stairways,	- -	429 00
Wm. W. Lee, Plumbing,	- - -	575 68
E. Rose, Painting, &c.,	- - -	450 00
John Luffery, Carpenter Work,	- -	868 91
Michael Magee, Bricks and Brick Work,	-	2,502 15
M. Walker & Sons, Wire Guard,	- -	35 00
S. S. Warthman, Carting,	- - -	22 50
Peter Rodgers, Cell Locks, &c.,	- -	37 10
Total,	- - - -	8,722 20

RECAPITULATION.

Second District,	- - - -	\$997 02
Third District,	- - - -	469 14
Sixth District,	- - - -	1,879 61
Tenth District,	- - - -	19 00
Eleventh District,	- - - -	8,722 20
Total,	- - - -	12,086 97

APPENDIX No. 56.

REPORT AND RESOLUTION, RELATIVE TO BRIDGES OVER THE
SCHUYLKILL AT WALNUT AND PINE STREETS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Petitions for the construction of a Bridge on the Schuylkill River at Walnut St., as also Petitions for a Bridge at Pine St., return the same with the following resolution.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
SAM. W. CATTELL,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
WM. M. BAIRD,
O. H. P. PARKER,
HENRY DAVIS,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
G. W. Williams,
N. NATHANS.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That it is deemed inexpedient to construct Bridges over the River Schuylkill at the present time, other than as recommended in Ordinance now before Councils.

APPENDIX No. 57.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Sureties offered by William Elliott, elected Agent of the Girard Estate, respectfully report, That they have carefully examined the securities proposed, and deem them ample and satisfactory, and offer the annexed Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.

GEO. W. SIMONS,

ROBERT KELTON,

THOMAS POTTER,

JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.,

WM. NEAL,

O. THOMPSON.

July 1, 1858.

RESOLUTION:

Approving the Sureties of William Elliott.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Sureties offered by William Elliott for the position of Agent of the Girard Estate, to wit: Edwin Greble and Joseph Shermer, be, and are hereby accepted.

APPENDIX No. 58.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred a Resolution, authorizing the Commissioner of City Property to purchase property sold under mortgage held by the City in certain cases, having duly considered the same, respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.

GEORGE W. SIMONS,

ROBERT KELTON,

THOMAS POTTER,

JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.

WM. NEAL,

O. THOMPSON.

July 1, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Commissioner of City Property to purchase property against which the City may hold Mortgages, in certain cases.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Commissioner of City Property be, and he is hereby directed, under the instruction of the City Solicitor, to purchase any property that may be sold under mortgage held by the City, at a price not exceeding the amount of such mortgage.

APPENDIX No. 59.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance, making an appropriation to pay the interest on the Temporary Loan of June 26, 1858, and ask that it may be passed.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman.*

ROBERT KELTON,

WILLIAM NEAL,

GEORGE W. SIMONS,

D. S. BEIDEMAN,

GEORGE WILLIAMS,

EDWARD S. HANDY,

JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.

June 22, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the interest on Temporary Loan.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Four Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the interest on the Temporary Loan, created by Ordinance on the 26th day of June, 1858.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the payment of this appropriation shall be drawn by the City Treasurer.

APPENDIX No. 60.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia :

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of the Twentieth Ward, contesting the seat of Mr. James Russel in this body, beg leave to make the following Report :

Your Committee deem it unnecessary for them to allude to any of the specifications contained in the communication of the petitioners, excepting those upon which evidence was adduced pertinent to the question at issue. But we will say in reference to the second specification, which is very general in its character, and which we think relates to the general character and proceedings of the officers of the election of the Tenth Division of the Twentieth Ward, and which acquired such an unenviable reputation in the disputed election case of Mann *vs.* Cassaday, only a short time since, and is, doubtless, fresh in the minds of nearly all present :

That the election officers of said division did not, in compliance with the law, (in many instances,) place the letter V opposite the name of the voter upon the assessment list, at the time that he voted.

That they did not, in compliance with the law, add the word tax or age, whenever the name of the voter did not appear upon the assessment list.

That they did not require proof, in many cases, of the qualifications of voters whose right to vote was legally challenged.

That they did not, in a majority of cases, require proof of the residence of voters whose names were not on the assessment list.

That they frequently refused to qualify voters on general challenge, alleging that they were all right.

That they opened the polls at the unusually early hour of between 6½ and 7 o'clock in the morning, contrary to common usage, thus leading the mind to suspect the inten-

tional perpetration of fraud upon the dearest rights of the people, at an hour when but few would be present to protect their rights or detect a wrong.

Your Committee were forcibly and most unfavorably impressed with the following relative display of the number of taxables and voters in the various Divisions of the Twentieth Ward, at the last election.

	Taxables.	Votes.	Per centage.
First Division,	661	397	60
Second “	504	235	47
Third “	596	380	64
Fourth “	720	383	53
Fifth “	525	332	62
Sixth “	490	284	58
Seventh “	842	454	54
Eighth “	501	287	57
Ninth “	371	245	66
Tenth “	323	323	100

Average of the first nine Divisions, 58 per cent. nearly.

From this statement it will be clearly perceived, that in the Tenth Division, which is by far the most sparsely settled portion of the Twentieth Ward, the proportion of votes cast at the last election to that of the taxables which it contains, is from twenty-five to fifty per cent. greater than in any other Division of said Ward, all of which are more densely populated, and, consequently, we think should show a reverse state of facts.

In view of the opinion of Judge Thompson, expressed in the case of *Mann vs. Cassady*, your Committee believe that they would be perfectly justified in ruling out the return of this Division from the general return of the Ward; but a desire to disfranchise no legal voter, decides them to settle the case by striking off all votes cast for either party that were not on the assessment list, or proved their right to vote at said election.

For the information of the Chamber, we here give the language of Judge Thompson in the case above referred to, and which we think applies with equal force to this case. He says :

“Had we not erased from the petition the specifications alleging gross frauds and irregularities upon the part of the election officers in the Divisions referred to, a different course would certainly have been adopted. The entire proceedings are so tarnished by the fraudulent conduct of the officers charged with the performance of the most solemn and responsible duties, that we would not only have felt abundantly justified, but it would have been our plain duty to throw out the return of every Division to which we have referred.”

As the result will be the same in either case, we have adopted the plan pursued in the case of *Mann vs. Cassady*, to wit: Throw out all votes cast for either of the candidates by persons not found on the assessment book, or who did not prove that they were legally qualified voters.

STATEMENT.

The whole vote for contestant and respondent for Common Council in the Tenth Division of the Twentieth Ward, was,

For William Eckfeldt, - - - - -	71
For James Russel, - - - - -	252
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Total, - - - - -	323
Whole No. votes on Assessor's List, - - - - -	175
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No. votes cast, not on Assessor's List, - - - - -	148
Whole No. proved for Wm. Eckfeldt, - - - - -	68
Of whom there were on Assessor's List, - - - - -	35
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No. of votes cast for Wm. Eckfeldt, not on Assessor's List, but proved, - - - - -	33
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From which take votes returned for Wm. Eckfeldt, but not proved, - - - - -	3
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No. of assessed votes, and which were not proved, for James Russel, - - - - -	112
Whole vote returned for Jas. Russel in said Division, - - - - -	252
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Thus leaving James Russel's legal vote, - - - - -	140

Whole vote in Ward returned for Jas. Russel, 1664	
From which deduct his vote in Tenth Division,	
not on Assessor's List or proved,	- - 112
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James Russel's legal vote,	- - - - 1552
Whole vote in Ward returned for W. Eckfeldt, 1655	
From which deduct his vote not on Assessor's	
List, and not proved,	- - - - 3
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Wm. Eckfeldt's legal vote,	- - - - 1652
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From which deduct James Russel's legal vote, leaving	
Wm. Eckfeldt's majority,	- - - - 100

In conclusion, your Committee are of the unanimous opinion, That the said William Eckfeldt was, at the last Municipal Election in the Twentieth Ward, duly elected a member of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia; and that the said James Russel is not legally entitled to a seat in this body.

All of which is respectfully submitted, with the following Resolution.

THOS. W. STEELLING, *Chairman*.
 BENJ. H. BROWN,
 CHARLES HARBERT,
 WM. H. FRENCH,
 SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
 J. S. FISH,
 PETER BOBB,
 JOSEPH ROATS,
 GEORGE B. MILLER,
 WM. P. HACKER.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee selected by this body to inquire into and report upon the Contested Election of James Russel, of the Twentieth Ward, are hereby discharged from any farther consideration of the matter.

APPENDIX No. 61.

REPORT OF CITY CONTROLLER.

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Philadelphia, July 5, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith transmit a statement of the Financial affairs of the City, for the first half of the year 1858, ending June 30.

The limited time allowed by law precludes the possibility of a more detailed statement; everything necessary for the information of Councils is, however, embraced in the accompanying tables.

I have not deemed it essential, either for your or the public inquiry, to present an account of the Funded Debt of the City, as no alteration has taken place in that account since the date of my last Report, January 11, 1858, except the payment of \$74,300 on account of the debt falling due January 1, 1858, which payment is embodied in Table No. 4.

By comparing the tables now submitted with those of January last, it will be seen that the Floating Debt of the City, comprised of outstanding Warrants issued prior to January 1, 1858, has been reduced the present year from \$619,482 21, to \$60,118 84, and of this amount the sum of \$48,819 52 is for unclaimed interest; leaving for Warrants issued by the several Departments, unpaid, the very limited sum of \$11,299 32.

As this is the last day of my official tenure, I embrace the occasion to tender to Councils my sincere thanks for the encouragement and support I have received at their hands in the discharge of the onerous duties of this office; and to express the hope that, through the careful guardianship of Councils, and the economy of the several Departments, the credit of our beloved City will be fully sustained, and a clean balance sheet exhibited at no very distant day.

Very respectfully,

S. TAYLOR, *City Controller.*

STATEMENT No. 1.

Showing the Receipts and Payments by the City Treasurer.

WM. V. McGRATH, City Treasurer, in account with the City of Philadelphia.

1858.	DR.		
January 1, To Balance on hand,	-	-	\$488,038 10
June 30, Receipts from all sources,	-	-	2,372,428 23
			<u>\$2,860,466 33</u>
1858.	CR.		
June 30, Am't paid on Warrants, Judgments, &c.	\$2,490,938 12		
" Balance on hand,	-	-	369,528 21
			<u>\$2,860,466 33</u>

WM. V. McGRATH, City Treasurer, in account with Trust Funds:

1858.	DR.		
January 1, To Balance on hand,	-	-	\$80,857 60
June 30, Receipts from all sources on Trust Ac't	103,931 01		
			<u>\$184,788 61</u>
1858.	CR.		
June 30, Amount paid on Warrants, Trust Account,	\$91,281 36		
" Balance on hand,	-	-	93,507 25
			<u>\$184,788 61</u>

STATEMENT No. 2.

Showing the Appropriations made by Councils, (exclusive of Trusts,) the Amount Countersigned on each Appropriation, and the Unexpended Balances of the same.

When Approved.	Appropriations made to	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Countersign'd	Unexpended Balance.
POLICE.				
Feb. 2, 1857.	James B. Cowden for Repairs to Cells - -	\$ 12 74		\$ 12 74
Dec. 31, "	Expenses for 1858, - -	390,502 00	\$170,263 00	220,239 00
"	Bills contracted in 1857, - -	1,500 00	1,398 71	101 29
Jan. 27, 1858.	Telegraph Box in Phila. Hose Co's House, - -	150 00	147 65	2 35
Feb. 26, "	Certain Claims - -	649 26	649 26	
Apl. 23, "	Ald. F. W. Binder, - -	398 52	398 52	
Apl. 30, "	Certain Claims, - -	856 22	856 22	
May 10, "	Ald. John Clouds, - -	37 13	37 13	
		<u>\$394,105 87</u>	<u>\$173,750 49</u>	<u>\$220,355 38</u>
HIGHWAYS, &c.				
Jan. 3, 1856.	Road Damages, - -	3,741 00		3,741
Apl. 24, "	" " - -	376 00	31 50	344 50
Dec. 17, "	" " - -	7,950 00	7,550 00	4 0 00
Dec. 27, "	" " - -	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Jan. 18, 1858.	Expenses for 1858, - -	393 500 00	162,893 93	230 606 07
Feb. 23, "	Deficiencies of 1857, - -	13,586 77	13,141 35	445 42
"	Road Damages, - -	2,745 30	2,745 30	
Feb. 26, "	James Galbraith, - -	173 75	173 75	
Apl. 10, "	Wm. Einwechter & Sons, - -	183 71	183 71	
		<u>\$423,256 53</u>	<u>\$187,719 54</u>	<u>\$235,536 99</u>

STATEMENT No. 2.—Continued.

When Approved.	Appropriations made to	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Countersign'd	Unexpended Balance.
COMMISSIONERS.				
Apr. 13, 1857.	To pay E. W. Shipper & Co.,	1,123 27		1,123 27
May 18, "	" " John C. Myers,	41 76		41 76
Sep. 21, "	" " Wm. Goodman,	12 00	12 00	
Jan. 13, 1858.	" " Expenses for 1858	169,091 72	75,443 74	93,647 98
Jan. 27, "	" " Certain claims,	1,806 65	1,660 57	146 08
Jan. 29, "	" " Do do	4,252 45	4,252 45	
Feb. 23, "	" " Do do	3,850 50	3,850 51	
Apl. 28, "	" " Do do	29 85	29 85	
Apl. 30, "	" " Do do	1,828 85	1,464 57	364 28
May 8, "	" " Peter Wagner,	91 23	91 23	
May 10, "	" " Certain claims,	415 00	396 50	18 50
		\$182,543 34	\$87,201 47	\$95,341 87
CITY PROPERTY.				
Oct. 28, 1857	To pay State taxes on certain lots,	1,100 00		1,100 00
Jan. 18, 1858	" " Expenses for 1858	67,052 00	40,450 29	26,601 71
June 12, "	" " Trustees Phila. Gas Works.	5,455 24	5,455 24	
		\$73,607 24	\$45,905 53	\$27,701 71
WATER DEPARTMT.				
Jan. 27, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858	145,810 00	87,262 11	58,547 89
Feb. 23, 1858	" " Wm. Dickson,	15 00	15 00	
		\$145,825 00	\$87,277 11	\$58,547 89
MARKET HOUSES.				
Jan. 18, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858	10,883 70	4,201 98	6,681 72
May 5, 1858	" " S. C. Thompson,	500 00	500 00	
		\$11 383 70	\$4,701 98	\$6,681 72
WHARVES & LAND'GS				
Jan. 18, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858	4,929 17	855 07	4,074 10
SURVEYS.				
Jan. 18, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858, &c.,	29,354 30	8,633 88	20 720 42
April 28, 1858	" " Eli K. Price,	84 18	84 18	
		\$29,438 48	\$8,718 06	\$20,720 42
LAW DEPARTMENT.				
Mar. 18, 1857	To pay for extinguishing a certain ground rent,	1,000 00		1,000 00
Dec. 31, 1857	" " Expenses for 1858	20,250 00	9,008 41	11,241 59
Jan. 27, 1858	" " Certain judgments	1,110 44	1,110 38	06
Mar. 15, 1858	" " Expenses in a certain lawsuit,	125 00	55 51	69 49
April 28, 1858	" " Mrs. Jas. Sherry,	50 00	50 00	
May 10, 1858	" " Ald. Jas. B. Free- man,	10 00	10 00	
		\$22,545 44	\$10,234 30	\$12,311 14

STATEMENT No. 2.—Continued.

When Approved.	Appropriations made to	Amount Appropriated	Amount Countersigned	Unexpended Balance.
FIRE DEPARTMENT.				
Jan. 2, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858	36,375 00	3,234 11	33,140 89
Jan. 27, 1858	“ “ J. B. Hoffman,	18 50	18 50	
June 12, 1858	“ “ E. N. Creighton,	78 22	78 22	
		\$36,471 72	\$3,320 83	\$33,140 89
CITY CONTROLLER.				
Dec. 31, 1857	To pay expenses for 1858	13,700 00	7,380 64	6,319 36
Feb. 23, 1858	“ “ Heislor & Steward,	29 53	29 43	10
		\$13,729 35	\$7,410 07	\$6,319 46
CITY TREASURER.				
June 18, 1857	To pay the Guardians of the Poor,	25 00		25 00
Dec. 12, 1857	“ “ Interest on funded debt,	560,000 00	561,792 95	
Dec. 18, 1857	“ “ Interest on tempo- rary loans,	2,012 50	1,315 84	696 66
Dec. 31, 1857	“ “ Expenses for 1858,	10,350 00	4,550 76	5,799 24
Mar. 15, 1858	“ “ Interest on War- rants, Ground Rents, &c.,	10,000 00	9,863 29	136 71
May 8, 1858	“ “ Sundry judgments	11,393 95	13,276 79	
June 12, 1858	“ “ Henry Rohrman,	39 17	39 17	
		\$593,820 62	\$590,838 80	\$2,981 82
RECEIVER OF TAXES.				
Dec. 31, 1857	To pay expenses for 1858,	10,000 00	10,473 46	8,526 54
CLERKS OF COUNCILS				
Dec. 31, 1857	To pay expenses for 1858	28,520 00	14,243 29	14,276 71
Mar. 15, 1858	“ “ Certain Claims,	1 124 67	1,124 67	
April 28, 1858	“ “ H. J. Fougeray,	100 00	100 00	
May 14, 1858	“ “ Expenses of the Mayor's inaugu- ration,	50 40	50 40	
		\$29,795 07	\$15,518 36	\$14,276 71
LIGHTING THE CITY.				
Jan. 2, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858,	\$232,356 80	\$91,367 71	\$140,989 09
CONTROLLERS OF THE PUB. SCHOOLS.				
Feb. 10, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858,	471,884 95	155,131 38	316,753 57
Feb. 10, 1858	“ “ Bills of 1857,	965 62	965 57	05
April 29, 1858	“ “ For insuring school houses,	3,100 00	3,100 00	
		\$475,950 57	\$159,196 95	\$316,753 62
BOARD OF HEALTH.				
May 9, 1857	To pay Geo. W. Chambers	12 50		12 50
Feb. 23, 1858	“ “ Certain claims,	107 80	107 80	
Mar. 15, 1858	“ “ Salaries to July 1, 1858,	7,452 50	6,560 11	892 39

STATEMENT No. 2.—Continued.

When Approved.	Appropriations made to	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Countersigned	Unexpended Balance.
April 28, 1858	" " Certain claims,	54 16	54 16	
April 29, 1858	" " Expenses of Laz- aretto & Health Office,	5,325 00	2,298 15	3,026 85
April 30, 1858	" " Certain claims,	191 50	1 50	100 00
May 10, 1858	" " C. B. Town,	150 00	150 00	
		\$13,293 46	\$9,261 72	\$4,031 74
	GUARDIANS OF THE POOR.			
Dec. 27, 1856	To comply with the condi- tions of certain legacies,	292 20		292 20
Jan. 16, 1858	To comply with the condi- tions of certain legacies,	1,536 29	1,507 33	28 96
Jan. 27, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858,	197,637 00	122,727 20	74,909 80
Feb. 23, 1858	" " Morris, Tasker & Co.,	55 45	55 45	
April 28, 1858	" " T. B. Beck,	142 25	142 25	
April 28, 1858	" " Certain bills,	16,635 60	15,798 70	836 90
May 10, 1858	" " Do do	153 75	153 75	
June 12, 1858	" " Ald. John Apple,	16 62	16 62	
		\$216,469 16	\$140,401 30	\$76,067 86
	INSPECTORS OF THE PRISON.			
Jan. 18, 1858	To pay expenses for 1858	61,050 00	23,759 01	37,290 99
Feb. 26, 1858	" " Gas bill of 1856,	217 80	217 80	
		\$61,267 80	23,976 81	\$37,290 99
	TRUSTEES OF CITY ICE BOAT.			
Dec. 26, 1857	To pay expenses for 1858,	\$11,475 00	\$5,864 02	\$5,610 98
	COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUNDS.			
Dec. 12, 1857	To pay funded debt, due Jan. 1, 1858,	114,950 00	74,300 00	40,650 00
Jan. 27, 1858	To be invest'd in city loans	159,079 00	127,363 85	31,715 15
		\$274,029 00	\$201,663 85	\$72,365 15

NOTE.—The amount countersigned in this statement differs with the same account in Statement No. 4, in the account of "interest on loans" to the amount of \$507 02. This sum, together with \$143 40 is embraced, in Statement No. 4, in the item of "interest overpaid and refunded."

STATEMENT No. 3.

Showing the appropriations made by Councils, on Trust Accounts, the amount countersigned on each, and the unexpended balances of the same.

When Approved.	Appropriations made to	Amount Appropriated.	Amount Countersign'd	Unexpended Balance.
	GIRARD COLLEGE.			
June 14, 1856	For Buildings within the walls,	10 565 61	1,000 00	9,565 61
Jan. 16, 1858	For expenses for 1858,	87,280 00	27,700 30	59,579 70
		\$97,845 61	\$28,700 30	\$69,145 31
	GIRARD ESTATE.			
July 19, 1855	For damages opening Water Street,	1,975 00	1,975 00	
Dec. 22, 1857	For expenses for 1858,	72,400 00	46,269 52	26,130 48
Mar. 15, 1858	For permanent improvements to real estate,	18,000 00	2,798 00	15,202 00
April 9, 1858	For permanent improvements to real estate	25,000 00		25,000 00
April 9, 1858	For balance due from 1857	2,291 69	2 291 69	
		\$119,666 69	\$53 334 21	\$66,332 48
	WILLS' HOSPITAL.			
Dec. 26, 1857	For expenses for 1858,	\$6,019 60	\$2,168 70	\$3,850 90
	SUPERINTENDENT OF TRUSTS.			
Dec. 31, 1858	For surveying "Boudinot Lands "	1,500 00		1,500 00
Dec. 31, 1857	For expenses & annuities — Grover Estate,	3,061 25	1,326 55	1 734 70
Jan. 13, 1857	To carry out the conditions of certain trusts	5,938 27	3,963 47	1,974 80
		10,499 52	\$5,290 02	\$5,209 50

STATEMENT No. 4.

Showing the amount countersigned on Warrants drawn by the several Departments, the amount paid thereon, and the receipts of the City Treasurer.

Departments, &c.	Countersigned.	Paid.	Receipts.
Department of Police,	173,750 49	258,160 17	21 75
“ Highways,	187,719 54	235,875 96	15,975 83
“ City Commissioners,	87,201 47	113,127 66	
“ City Property,	45,905 53	46,738 36	14,562 32
“ City Controller,	7,410 07	7,592 63	
“ City Treasurer,	4,589 93	5,714 02	
“ Supplying Water,	87,277 11	109,196 99	370,386 10
“ Market Houses,	4,701 98	5,884 17	56,151 00
“ Wharves & Landings,	855 07	1,712 22	19,501 25
“ Clerks of Councils,	15,518 36	19,016 41	
“ Receiver of Taxes,	10,473 46	10,766 96	1,470,636 28
“ Surveys,	8,718 06	19,173 39	
“ Law,	10,234 30	15,968 32	18,298 96
“ Fire,	3,330 83	21,702 18	
Lighting the City,	91,367 71	161,303 17	43 50
Controllers of the Public Schools,	159,196 95	310,791 92	43,285 00
Board of Health,	9,261 72	12,414 14	4,228 72
Guardians of the Poor,	140,401 36	187,817 01	5,984 50
Inspectors of the Prison,	23,976 81	42,190 39	4,641 23
Trustees of the City Ice Boat,	5,864 02	12,296 38	1,646 84
Commissioners of the Sinking Funds	50 00	55 63	
City Loans, due Jan. 1, 1858 & prior,	74,300 00	74,300 00	
Temporary Loans,	105,000 00	105,000 00	120,000 00
Interest on City Loans,	562,299 97	562,299 97	
Interest on Temporary Loans,	1,315 84	1,315 84	
Int. on City Wars., Judgments, &c.,	13,276 79	13,276 79	
Int. on Endorsed Wars., Grounds. &c.	9,863 29	9,863 29	
Interest on Stocks,			148,621 60
Interest on Mortgages,			1,073 95
Interest overpaid and refunded,			650 42
Sinking Funds,	127,313 85	127,313 85	73,646 56
Fines and Penalties,			819 44
Pawnbroker's Licenses,			2,100 00
Gunpowder Licenses,			45 00
Foreign Fruit Licenses,			60 00
Fitting up State House,		70 30	
Miscellaneous,			47 98
	1,971,174 51	2,490,938 12	2,372,428 23

STATEMENT No. 5.

TRUST FUNDS.

Showing the amount of Warrants countersigned, the amount paid thereon, and the receipts from the several trusts.

Trusts and Legacies.	Countersigned.	Paid.	Receipts.
Girard Trust,	82,034 51	82,034 51	97,040 62
Grover Trust,	1,401 55	1,401 55	1,256 60
Wills Hospital,	2,168 70	2,168 70	2,748 21
Yellow Fever Fund,		280 80	280 80
Fuel Fund, City of Philadelphia,	361 40	361 40	159 80
Fuel Fund by Act of Assembly,	180 32	180 32	
Girard Fuel Fund,	574 50	574 50	644 73
Girard's Bequest to Public Schools,	627 00	627 00	313 50
Benjamin Franklin's Legacy,	1,025 00	1 025 00	492 85
Paul Beck's " "	500 00	500 00	250 00
John Scott's " of \$4,000	312 75	312 75	292 30
John Scott's " of \$3,000	295 50	295 50	203 80
Esther Water's " "	635 19	635 19	
Samuel Scotten's " "	12 00	12 00	
George Emlen's " "	760 64	760 64	225 00
B. McMahon's " "	41 13	41 13	14 25
James Dutton's " "	8 75	8 75	
William Carter's " "	61 62	61 62	8 55
	91,000 56	91,281 36	103,931 01

NOTE.—For \$1507,33 of the amount herein stated to be countersigned, see Statement No. 2, account of Guardians of the Poor.

STATEMENT No. 6.

Showing the Outstanding Warrants of 1855, the amount paid thereon in 1858, and the balance remaining unpaid July 1, 1858.

Amounts outstanding, as per annual statement of City Controller, June 11, 1858, - - - - -	\$26,575 23
Amount paid, omitted by City Controller in his reports dated January 17, and July 10, 1858, viz:	
Department of Police, - - - - -	2,739 00
" Highways, - - - - -	6 837 72
" City Commissioners, - - - - -	1,887 97
" Water, - - - - -	701 32
" Public Schools, - - - - -	2,789 79
" Guardians of the Poor, - - - - -	2 024 87
" Inspectors of the Prison, - - - - -	324 56
	\$43,930 46

STATEMENT No. 6.—Continued.

Departments, &c.	Outstandi'g Jan. 1, 1858	Paid, 1858.	Outstanding July 1, 1858.
Department of Police,	\$8,491 93	11,230 93	
“ Highways,		6,887 27	
“ City Commissioners,		1,887 97	
“ City Property,	823 15	611 40	211 75
“ Supplying Water,		701 32	
“ Market Houses,	230 68	136 68	94 00
“ Wharves & Landings	17 83		17 83
“ Surveys,	299 45	299 44	01
“ Fire,	1,300 00	1,300 00	
“ City Treasurer,	4 12		4 12
“ Clerks of Councils,	58 03	58 03	
Lighting the City,	2,549 55	1,060 00	1,489 55
Controllers of the Public Schools,	9,293 07	12,002 86	
Board of Health,	367 78	274 40	93 38
Guardians of the Poor,	1,735 04	3,759 91	
Inspectors of the Prison,	951 13	1,275 69	
Trustees of the City Ice Boat,	70 06	70 00	
Old Corporations,	89 52		89 52
Fitting up State House,	70 30	70 30	
Special Purposes of Police, &c.,	223 65		223 65
	26,575 23	41,706 65	2,223 81
Amount paid in 1858, to June 30,			41,706 65
			\$43,930 46

STATEMENT No. 7.

Showing the Outstanding Warrants of 1856, the amount paid thereon in 1858, and the balance remaining unpaid July 1, 1858.

Amount outstanding as per annual statement of City Controller, January 11, 1858,	- -	\$93,391 83	
Less amount charged to Department of Highways, (there having been \$23,600 00 charged as “Warrants Countersigned” which was issued in <i>Certificates of Loan for Road Damages</i> , and which amount exceeded the outstanding Warrants of that Department of the year 1856, in the sum of \$722 17,)		22,877 83	\$70,514 00
Amount omitted in accounts of City Controller, prior to July 7, 1856, to wit:			
Department of Highways,	paid	1857,	722 17
“ “	“	1858,	1,959 60
“ City Commissioners,	“	“	903 11
“ Water,	“	“	483 56
“ Markets,	“	“	41 67
“ Fire,	“	“	20 23
“ Public Schools,	“	“	1,924 87
“ Guardians of the Poor,	“	“	813 93
“ Ice Boat, overpaid by C. Treasurer “			06
			\$77,383 20

STATEMENT No. 7.—Continued.

Departments, &c.	Outstanding Jan 1, 1858.	Paid, 1858.	Outstanding July 1, 1858
Department of Police,	\$4,409 76	3 934 68	475 08
“ Highways,		1,959 60	
“ City Commissioners		903 11	
“ City Property,	477 55	395 17	82 38
“ Supplying Water,		483 56	
“ Market Houses,		41 67	
“ Surveys,	125 00	125 00	
“ Law,	6 50		6 50
“ Fire,	1,229 77	1,250 00	
“ Clerks of Councils,	101 27	41 27	60 00
“ Receiver of Taxes,	46 43		46 43
Lighting the City,	5,669 71		5,669 71
Controllers of the Public Schools,	4,506 07	6,430 94	
Board of Health,	318 88	242 25	76 63
Guardians of the Poor,	1,054 21	1,868 14	
Inspectors of the Prison,	1,331 06	1,824 23	256 83
Trustees of the City Ice Boat,	54 49	54 55	
To refund overpaid Taxes,	06		06
Certain expenses incurred in 1854 and 1855,	13 75		13 75
Unclaimed interest,	51,119 49	2,299 97	48,819 52
	70,514 00	21,154 14	55,506 89
Amount paid to June 30, 1858,			21,154 14
Amount overpaid Department of Highways, 1857,			722 17
			-----\$77,383 50

STATEMENT No. 8.

Showing the Outstanding Warrants of 1857; the amount paid thereon in 1858, and the balance remaining unpaid July 1, 1858,

Amount outstanding as per annual statement of City Controller, January 11, 1858,	\$540,992 98
Less amount issued in <i>Certificates of Loan for Road Damages</i> , but included in “Warrants counter- signed” for Department of Highways for the year 1857,	18,660 00
	-----\$522,332 98

STATEMENT No. 8.—Continued.

Departments, &c.	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1858.	Paid, 1858.	Outstanding, July 1, 1858.
Department of Police.	72,990 59	72,362 09	628 50
“ Highways, 76,624 31			
“ Less certificates of			
“ Loans, 18,600 00,	58,024 31	57,598 93	425 38
“ City Commissioners,	23,929 17	23,911 88	17 29
“ City Property,	16,819 54	16,597 56	221 98
“ City Controller,	196 86	196 86	
“ City Treasurer,	1,764 09	1,764 09	
“ Supplying Water,	22,493 81	22,402 37	91 44
“ Market Houses,	1,241 33	1,241 33	
“ Wharves & Landings	857 15	857 15	
“ Surveys,	11,232 40	11,232 39	01
“ Law,	5,734 02	5,734 02	
“ Fire,	15,899 57	15,899 57	
“ Clerks of Councils,	3,556 47	3,456 47	
“ Receiver of Taxes,	314 75	314 75	
Lighting the City,	68,875 46	68,875 46	
Controllers of the Pub. Schools,	141,292 35	140,765 58	526 77
Board of Health,	4,555 0*	4,436 46	118 62
Guardians of the Poor,	48,695 78	48,381 01	314 77
Inspectors of the Prison,	17,563 44	17,563 43	01
Trustees of the City Ice Boat,	6,451 18	6,407 81	43 37
Commissioners of the Sinking Funds,	5 63	5 63	
	522,392 98	520,004 84	2,388 14
Amount paid to June 30, 1858,			520,005 84
			\$522,392 98

APPENDIX No. 62.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the sureties offered by Jesse M. Christopher, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Commissioner of City Property, having duly considered the same.

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.
 GEORGE W. SIMONS,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 WM. NEAL,
 JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.,
 EDWARD S. HANDY,
 ROBERT KELTON.

July 8, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of Jesse M. Christopher, as Commissioner of City Property.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by Jesse M. Christopher, for the faithful discharge of his duties, as Commissioner of City Property, to wit: Michael Moloy, and Henry B. Gillingham, be accepted.

APPENDIX No. 63.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the sureties offered by H. P. M. Birkinbine, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Chief Engineer of the Water Department, having duly examined the same.

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.
GEO. W. SIMONS,
THOMAS POTTER,
WM. NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
EDW. S. HANDY,
ROBERT KELTON.

July 8, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of H. P. M. Birkinbine, as Chief Engineer of the Water Department.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by H. P. M. Birkinbine, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Chief Engineer of the Water Department, to wit: David Woelper, and George Woelper, be accepted.

APPENDIX No. 64.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the sureties offered by W. J. P. White, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Register of the Water Department, having duly considered the same.

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.
GEORGE W. SIMONS,
THOMAS POTTER,
WILLIAM NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
EDW. S. HANDY,
ROBERT KELTON.

July 8, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of W. J. P. White, as Register of the Water Department.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by W. J. P. White, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Register of the Water Department, to wit: George W. Simons, and Samuel M. White, be accepted.

APPENDIX No. 65.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the sureties offered by Abraham W. Juvenal, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Superintendent of the Girard Estate, having duly considered the same.

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
THOMAS POTTER,
WM. NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.,
EDW. S. HANDY,
ROBERT KELTON.

July 8, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of A. W. Juvenal, as Superintendent of the Girard Estate.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by Abraham W. Juvenal, for the faithful discharge of his duties as Superintendent of the Girard Estate, to wit: Samuel J. Pancost, and Michael Wartman, be accepted, if found as represented upon being examined by the City Solicitor.

APPENDIX No. 66.

Oration

Delivered on the 5th of July, 1858, in Common Council Chamber, by George F. Gordon, Esq.

*Mr. President, Members of City Councils,
and Fellow Citizens.*

YESTERDAY was the Sabbath of the Lord, as well as the great American Sabbath of patriotism. No noise, or confusion broke the serene stillness of the sacred day. By common consent, the blest result of our Christian civilization, the Sabbath of the Lord, had the precedence. This was as it should be—God first! Liberty next.

Though the shout of jubilant mirth was not heard in all our streets, nor the booming of cannon, nor the rattle of musketry, nor the sharp stirring, concording sounds of martial music, nor any of the usual outward demonstrations of a nation's joy; yet, the nation was not without its joy, peerless and grand. Patriotism and Christianity, twin brothers as they are, met, embraced, and knelt around thrice ten thousand altars, and arose strengthened by the act, to bless God for liberty. All over our beloved land, Christianity gave to patriotism the pledges of immortality, and flung around the hallowed memories of our Revolution the fragrances of heaven.

To-day we meet amid the tumult of a nation's jubilee-joy. As soon as the orb of day kissed the new morning, and girt himself for his meridian race in the skies; up rose the shout of million-mouthed patriotism, from hill and vale, river and sea-board, mountain and plain; and loud peeled and rattled and roared the national and civic emblems of our glad people's joy and power.

We have met to-day in this sacred building* to join in the universal rejoicing. The representatives of the whole people in the City Council, declared by vote, that this day

* The "State House," in which is the "Hall of Independence."

of illustrious memories should be officially celebrated with appropriate services—happy inaugural of a practice which I trust will grow with our growth, and strengthen with our strength. The only regret which I have in connection with the ceremonial of the day, is the choice of Council, in selecting me for the distinguished post of “orator of the day,” on so great an occasion as the present. For this is an authoritative City Celebration. It is the act of the whole people through their representatives. When, therefore, I think of the magnitude of the occasion—the City, with its half million of inhabitants; its commerce, and arts, and manufactories; its relations to our beloved union; and its magazines of ancestral and patriotic jewels—I stand abashed, and from the bottom of my heart, wish that another stood this day in my place. And, I feel my inability to do justice to the occasion, still more, when I consider the place where we are met. These walls! what whispering thoughts do they bring on the silver wires of memory’s telegraph! What great lessons of moral power and patriot worth, they ceaselessly teach! silent they are to outward ear, and eye, and touch; but, to the citizenry of the mental realm they live, and more and ever speak in the Republic of Intellect with never ceasing trains of captivating and enrapturing eloquence!—my very voice, as I speak these words, echoes, and re-echoes in old “Independence Hall.” It cannot be vanity that makes we wish, now that I am here, that I could lift to my lips the silvery trumpet of independence, and blow a blast, sweet, and loud, and long, for Liberty and the Union!—to the joy of all the people, and worthy of the place and the occasion.

As Philadelphians, what a treasure is in our midst to guard and love! As American citizens, how should we at all times, and especially on Independence Day, delight to do honor to the place—the greatest place on earth, save Calvary,—the place where the giants of the revolution assembled—master-men of the olden time and of all time, are they; model-revolutionists of this day, and of all days to come, are they. “Independence Hall!” how we ought to love thee, and cherish with intensest gratitude, thy memories and the shining record of sacrifice, of matchless eloquence, and unsurpassed courage!—the place where Patrick Henry cleft the thunder-cloud of British oppression

with the lightening of free speech! and sent flying o'er the colonies brave words of cheer to the trembling, yet marshalling revolutionists, thrilling them with the immortality of invincibility!—the place where Richard Henry Lee poured forth on willing ears and warm hearts the rushing flood of his polished eloquence, bursting the chains and fetters of monarchy forever!—the place where Adams, the elder, tore away the scarlet drapery from the throne, breaking the sceptre, and trampling under foot the royal insignia of kingly despotism, and driving the last nail in the coffin of dethroned monarchy!—“*Sink or swim, survive or perish, Independence now, and Independence forever!*” * A noble band of giants were the Fathers of the American Republic—true as heaven to each other and the cause, not a traitor among them all!

The peculiarities of our meeting and of this celebration are worthy of a passing notice. We meet to-day, not as a party, or a sect; not to extol one portion of our fellow-citizens at the expense and to the injury of any other. We meet to-day in the authorized name of the people of this our great and beautiful city, to do patriotic homage at the altar of the Union, for the past, the present, and the future of our whole country. We stand to-day far above the reach of withering and distracting partyism. On the *Washington Platform* we stand! A platform built of the precious materials furnished in his “Farewell Address”—broad enough and strong enough, for every patriot citizen, of every shade of opinion in all the land, and room for millions more! In view of the relentless partizan warfare, and sectional antagonisms, with which our country abounds, this feature in the programme of to-day’s celebration in this holy place, is worthy of record. And I sincerely hope that this “old State House” as well as “Independence Square” † shall henceforward be unpolluted with any mere party celebration on Independence Day. How beautiful a thing, and how becoming well, would it be, for the whole people throughout the length and breadth of our highly favored land, to resolve, and keep the resolution, to forget

* The closing words of Adams’s speech, previous to the signing of the Declaration.

† The grounds attached to Independence Hall.

for a single day, that parties, or differences of opinion had any existence, and rush with manly joy into each other's arms, hailing as brother, every American citizen, no matter what his opinions, or party alliances, or geographical birth place; causing the sky-blue arches of heaven to echo on from the hills of the North to the savannahs and orange groves of the South, the national challenges of united and happy freemen. Thank God for liberty! hearts to cherish it, and hands to defend it—the Union ever blessed and strong, surrounded by a wall of hearts invincible without, immortal within!

Another feature in this days ceremonial with us, must not pass unnoticed. The Bible was read first,* because it is the book of God!—the book of the people—our great American book—the book of Washington! And because, upon the Bible as a foundation, broad as the universe, and strong as eternity, our liberties rest. Remove this foundation, and all that is beautiful and valuable in our liberties and free system of government will soon become worthless and vile. Take the Bible from American liberty, and nothing remains worth possessing. Prayer has been offered† to Almighty God, “*who hath made and preserved us a nation.*” Prayer has ever been the constant and true friend of liberty, and the terror of tyrants in all ages. It sweetly and strongly links earth to heaven by celestial telegraph, rooted in the Bible as a perpetual battery of omnipotent power, it stretches away on wires of faith above the cloud-capped mountains, up into the azure heavens, and coils itself around the throne of humanity's Mediatorial Prince! Oft, and long, the prayer-breath of our loved Washington swept o'er these wires while he grieved at Valley Forge. Oft, and strong, the prayers of patriot souls, on fire with intense desire for liberty, have thrilled from earth to heaven, and myriad times from heaven to earth, with more than Pentecostal swiftness, have come rushing down the fire-winged answers, illuminating the camp of the patriot with the light and joy of victory.

But strange to say, some object; saying, that this reading of the Bible and prayer, &c., is “introducing religion

* The Bible was read by the Rev. Thomas H. Stockton, D. D.

† Prayer was offered by the Rev. John Chambers.

into politics." Now, because of the circumstances under which this remark was recently made, I shall dwell on this question of *Religion in Politics* a little, even at the risk of being considered Puritanical; and, because I consider a proper understanding of this matter as vital to our constitutional liberties.

The record of our Revolution is most wonderful in many respects; but, in none more marvelous than in its religious aspects. And, it would be well at this day for those who object to the introduction of the Bible, and prayer at meetings considered political, to re-read the record of Revolutionary, Christian, Bible patriotism. On the truth and beauty, and practice, of those golden records every true patriotic citizen stands rejoicingly to-day. It is a continued record of minister and people, of "prayer and thanksgiving," of "solemn fastings and humiliations," of "appeals to heaven" and the "God of armies," and "Divine Providence." "Let the pulpits thunder!" said Adams; and they did thunder and lighten to the terror of the oppressors. No meeting was held without the recognition of the "Supreme Arbiter;" no committee of safety or supply appointed without invoking the "God of heaven." And, when armies were marshalled, each soldier of freedom went forth baptized with tears and followed with unceasing prayer. The fathers of the Republic knew nothing of "politics" except through and by religion. Their politics was an out-growth of their religion, and hence the purity and dignity of its character. By religion, of course, is not meant that magnificent congregation of antagonisms called sectarianism; but, rather, is meant, the knowledge of Jehovah and his government as communicated in the Bible. Just, as politics may be considered the knowledge of human laws as revealed by wisdom and experience. Religion therefore is the basis on which politics must rest. They ought not to be, and cannot with safety be, disconnected. It was because there was no religion in the acts and politics of the British government that our forefathers rebelled. For religion implies justice, goodness, equity, truth! Every theory of politics not founded upon, and deriving its life-nourishment from the true religion, which is the religion of the Bible, must perish. The hero-band of noble patriots who achieved so brilliantly the liberty in which we to-day

stand fast and rejoice, understood this question well, and most thoroughly. Mark the order of one among their first addresses, which emanated from the famous Committee of Correspondence, which committee was the basis of the subsequent union of the colonies—"As men, as Christians, and as subjects, &c.—Here we have the true order of things—First, men; second, Christians; third, citizens. This order is as divine as it is true. How striking and grand is this mighty doctrine, announced as it were by inspiration, in the noble and ever to be remembered words of Ethan Allen at Ticonderoga, "*In the name of the great Jehovah and the Continental Congress I demand your surrender!*" In the word "Jehovah" we have all of religion; in that of the Continental Congress we have all of politics in its grandest sense. And so through the whole record, *religion* first, *politics* next. And mark another most important feature; they are always together, never separated. In council or tented field; in colonial or congressional assemblies, everywhere religion and politics went hand in hand; religion by inherent vitality leading the van. This is the rock-position. It cannot be overthrown. It is the ark of our covenanted liberties. If it be touched, there is danger to the Republic. Those who object to religion in politics will do well to examine themselves, and see if they be in the faith of freedom according to the test of the Revolution. But, in addition to what I have stated, and to volumes more that might be stated, I present one other thing, and it is the radiant seal, the ornate cap-stone to this whole matter. "In 1777 Congress directed the Committee of Commerce to import 20,000 copies of the Bible!"*—Glorious importation! would we had no other! Thus was the nation crowned with the Bible. Let her wear it with honor and dignity, and the stars and stripes shall wave forever invincibly.

Human governments, and especially republican governments, exist by consent of the governed, and for the purpose of mutual protection, and the best interests of the greatest numbers. If, therefore, Bibles are more conducive to good government and happiness, and of course prosperity, than rifles, why not make and circulate Bibles instead of rifles? If both are necessary, then give both. If

* Holme's Annals, page 279, Vol. II.

Bibles and Missionaries would civilize the Indians, and protect the hardy and hero pioneer of our western borders, better and faster than rifles, powder, and a thousand nameless trinkets, why not the former instead of the latter? Millions of dollars are annually expended for printing a great variety of documents, Agricultural, Mechanical, &c., &c. Some very good, and many very worthless, and of no advantage to the people. If the Congress of 1777 *imported* 20,000 Bibles, what harm would there be in the Congress of 1858 printing and circulating a million of them? Are there societies organized for this purposes now-a-days?—So are there Companies to manufacture rifles,—so are there Publishing Houses to publish and circulate all manner of agricultural, mechanical, botanical, geographical books, &c., &c. I hope to live to see the day when the Congress of these United States will be the most magnificent missionary society that men or angels have ever seen. Missionaries for liberty! the world over, based on the Bible. For such liberty as this let our voices shout to-day. Let the hallelujah-chorus roll, and echo. from shore to shore,—out upon the ocean—let the Storm-king thunder it, amid the jewel-crested billows; in upon our inland ocean-lakes, let the gentle zephyrs bear it on o'er their silvery bosoms, and fling it out upon our flower-blooming prairies; there let it gather strength and fragrance, swelling with the undulations of those immense plains, rushing along all our river courses, to the joy of millions, who prolong the shout, as up to the mountain heights like our storm-daring eagle it sweeps from crag to summit, heralding the echo to afar, and pouring itself down again upon the glad valleys, kissing their opening flowers, and ripening fruitage with the jubilee-song of a nation's joy—*thank God for liberty founded on the Bible!* Let it roll on still, along every iron-road where the fire-chariot snorts in its power; on the lightning wings of the miracle-working telegraph, let the nation's song, electric, flash; through all our regions and avenues of wealth, where the iron and copper ore is, and the galena is smelted, and the gold quartz is gotten—there let freedom's echo revibrate; through all our factories and furnaces, where the bone, and sinew, and brain, is developed into wealth, let the echo hum; through all churches, let organ and choir swell the gathering and spreading

strains; in all colleges, let the student-sons of freemen catch, and fling still onward and upward the glorious tide of human joy; in all schools, let million voices of freedom's children charm the gathering, rolling, spreading, thundering, jubilant song in freedom's western home; from Atlantic to Pacific, from North to South and East and West, and across the wild ocean waters to the thrones and principalities and powers, startling the despot on his volcanic throne with wild amazement, as he, too, hears distinctly above the storm--*Thank God for liberty founded on the Bible!*

Liberty is reality. It has to be gained, and may be lost. We rejoice in it to-day, not because we gained it; but because our fathers gained it, possessed it, cherished it, blest it, and gave it to us red with their best blood, and sparkling with their tears. We too, have possessed it, and do cherish it, and desire to rejoice evermore because of it. Yet, *eternal vigilance* is its price; and while we rejoice, it may not be amiss to inquire for the old land-marks, and see that no attempt be made to change them, nor remove them. For, it is not to be concealed that, amid all our rejoicings, there is some little cause for sorrow. The sky of our Union, ever blessed, is not all clear and blue. A black cloud floats in the firmament of the Union, and darkens the radiance of the "stars," and wraps the "stripes" with its fitful gloom. But, it must not be so ever. Wisdom and prudence, the constitution, vigilance and peace, swift rushing on the chariot-wheels of time, will pierce the cloud with the spear of freedom's sovereignty, and let the full-orbed glory of the Union shine!

Sovereignty is the life of liberty. If sovereignty be stricken down, liberty dies. Liberty is the body, sovereignty is the soul. Liberty is collective as well as individual. Sovereignty is individual alone. Hence, liberty has often been crushed, because it is mortal; sovereignty can never die, because it is immortal. It may, and often has, in connection with its body of liberty, been made to suffer and bleed. Sovereignty is the gift of God; it is given to every man. It is the throne of individual responsibility and accountability; hence, its immortality! Sovereignty is the grandest thing on earth. It is the jewelled crown which manhood presses to his brow, and stands con-

fessed a Sovereign! It cannot be delegated. It may be represented by sufferance and permission; but, no man can give his sovereignty to another, nor has any other the right to assume and exercise the sovereignty of his fellow. Herein lies the vital life of Republics—individual sovereignty and responsibility. This is the bulwark against which tyrants have never prevailed. When this great doctrine is better understood, and more fully acted upon, we may then expect to see the best men, and the choice spirits of the day, representing the people in the Halls of Legislation. When the citizen understands and *feels* that he is responsible, and that he cannot shake it off, upon his representative, his agent, or any assembled combination, styled government or otherwise,—then wisdom will stand on the high places of the nation, and excellence will have praise among men, and honesty will radiantly shine, and justice will be established over all, and the nation will be exalted on high because of righteousness!

It was for sovereignty,—“popular sovereignty” as a great principle, underlying, enveloping, and crowning all liberty, religious and civil, that the fathers of the American Republic struggled for, and achieved. So precious to them was it, that they willingly gave up all else, earthly, to gain it. No peril of fire, or sword, or want, or death, could fright them from sovereignty’s embrace. And shall we not cling to it? Amid the dust, and smoke, and gore of the battle, whole battalions of freemen rushed with eagle eye and firm step on bristling bayonets and roaring cannon, all for sovereignty! And shall we in the sunshine of peace not start to our feet, when we hear the stealthy tread of the usurpers in the vestibule of sovereignty’s temples! Sovereignty was *popular* with our fathers, it should be *popular* with us. It is the strength of man, the strength of States—and a wall of fire around our Union!

Our Union, ever blessed and fair—shall it falter and fall? Shall it break asunder, and with it the most blest and brilliant hopes of the future? Oh! no, it must not—*shall not be*. If the ties of consanguinity, so sweetly and lovingly interwoven, between North and South, and East and West, will not avail to stay the work so dark and dread, that it will rend with bitterest anguish ten million hearts, and blight the Paradise hopes of thrice ten millions more—if no

power of exalted patriotism, no triumph of genius, no spell of charmed patriotic eloquence, no hope of the future, nor joy of the present, nor strength of commerce, nor swelling thought of noblest statesmanship, nor union of highest intelligence with mightiest intellects; and above, and beyond all these,—if no power of our glorious Christianity, if no charm from our great American book, the Bible—no memory of Washington, or Calvary, can save as a unit these States of ours—if all hell from centre to circumference, has equipped for our Union's overthrow, and moves on hot and heavy for the work, and naught but blood will save us! Then let blood flow, let it flow with a rush, let it flow to the "horses' bridles," let the red-flood sweep the land, as the river when pressed by mountain streams, leaps over its barriers; but, let it be pure, unmixed *Traitor blood!*

When that dark and dreadful day comes, (if come, it must,) then there will leap into instant life, and irresistible power, an order of men, whom I will baptize in this hallowed place of everlasting memories, on this day of days,—*The Brotherhood of the Union!* men who will not fear to make every disunion traitor, from the farthest North, to the extremest South, and distant East, and remotest West, bite the dust of an infamous death! *All the first born of Egypt perished in a night!—let disunion traitors beware!* What, if the nation does weep tears of blood for a night; if on the morrow she rises a virgin still, with more than herculean power, to the high embrace of indestructible unity, divine loveliness, and world-wide majesty. The telegraph was not made in vain! Though oft, and long, the friendly challenges of united men sweep o'er the wires all unnoticed; yet, when the supreme challenge flashes on electric wings o'er all the land,—then at that dread hour will the full import of these foreshadowed thoughts be terribly visible! *Death to the traitor!—everlasting and radiant life to the Union!*

If our beloved Union of States must be dissolved and fall, let God the Almighty strike it down! Let Him do it without human agency. Let the elements be marshalled as He only can do it. Let the thunder-clouds sparkle with uncounted millions of the destroying hosts, and the whole circle of the heavens blaze with lightning-floods more terrible than those which swept the plains of Sodom and Go

morrah, and as all we love on earth crisps in the blaze, and the glorious monument of freedom's labor on this western continent bends its jeweled summit to the fire-storm, may oceans then burst their cords asunder and sweep the continent, covering forever the splendid ruin. Rather such be our fate, than that human hands should mar a beauty so sweet, or deface a monument so grand as the Union of these States!

But, away from such sad thoughts we turn, clinging ever by faith sublime that rushes to immortality in our souls, telling us in the heavenly ripple of "the still small voice," that *the Union shall stand*, till the angel of the resurrection startles living and dead with the earthquake-shout, "*Time is no more!*"

Yet, to the end that our Union may thus stand, means must be used. And, none would prove more powerful, than to fling again into the politics of the nation, the *religion of the Revolution*, which was the *religion of the Bible*. We cannot have too much of the right kind of religion in politics; politics without religion has already done a great work of death for us as a nation. What, if one party in the nation seek to elevate the Bible as a party symbol, that is no reason why all parties and all men should not seek to give it pre-eminence! When all reverence the Bible as the fathers of the American Revolution did, it will then cease to be a party symbol, and be, what it of right ought to be, the pre-eminent symbol of our nation's Christocracy, power and progress. It will teach us peace, and peace will make us strong. For we want no war, and least of all a war with England. Nevertheless, a war against her importations would do us no harm. An intense national feeling cultivated throughout all the varied interests, would make our Union strong. We want and ought to have a national literature. We know not as yet what we are suffering from the introduction into our midst of an aristocratic and debilitating literature, filling the minds of our people with notions utterly subversive of the simplicity of our loved republican institutions. We want *pre-eminent encouragement* to American industry—an intense love of art as developed by native genius—a love of art design, and artistic taste, which would be life to our own manufacturers. We want a style of architecture, the prominent features of which would

stamp it all American. We want a style of music all our own, composed by American minds, sung by American voices, and played by American hands. The imported article is really ridiculous; and the favor it meets with on our shores, is indeed a sad and sorry commentary upon our national taste, and style, and sentiment. These things may seem small in themselves, but they are nevertheless the very things which constitute a distinctive nationality. Nationality will make us strong at home, and feared and respected abroad. We must attain unto this excellency of nationality of character, before we will be able to set out upon our grand missionary destiny as a nation. Not the wild and reckless and debauching spirit of "fillibusterism," but the dignified march of the government on the highway of American progress and power.

There is truth in the idea, that in connection with all human action, as well as national development, there is a destiny—not fatalism, but the magnificent outworkings of mind-sovereignties under the harmonious impulses of laws as yet but little understood by those who bend in active submission, as effect to cause, to the great God-ordained and man-developing powers of destiny.

Look at our past history. Examine the present tendencies of our nation, and what other lesson can be learned by the far seeing mind than this:—that our Eagle-nation will acquire, by purchase or war, Cuba, Mexico, the Islands of the Pacific, the British Possessions of North America? Then by a shorter, swifter method comporting with the progress of the age, will South America be *continentalized*! and beautifully yield to the sublime approachings of American destiny! It will be so. God hath written it in his great book of National Providence, and he is showing it every day in the visible and swift utterances of national evolutions.

No nation, or alliance of nations can prevent this ultimate. England may protest, France may protest, and the powers of foreign diplomacy may move from their deepest depth to prevent it. Yet, no sword shall leap from the great scabbard of nations against the sublime approachings of the Eagle Republic! She soars aloft under the Divine Ægis, the mighty instrumentality for the final overthrow of kingdoms and powers hitherto and always despotic—for

the flooding of the nations of the Old World with the American element of freedom! And while we disciple, the nations abroad, the doctrine will not be lost at home. For, if liberty and slavery are forced to meet face to face on our national highway of civilized progress, slavery must die, liberty must survive at all hazards and under all circumstances.

It is high time that the masses had become indoctrinated with the great events clustering around the missionary destiny of these United States. There is a great work to be done in the world, and we must do it! Our natural tendencies are all that way, and no diplomatic fogysm can stand in the battle-path of the American democratic element, as it rushes onward destiny-driven and God-directed, baptizing the nations with the American waters of political salvation!

There is something about the early history of all nations, which mysteriously stamps upon their infancy the seals of future greatness. And our country's early history is all radiant with such indications of future splendor.

Our eagle—the king-bird of the feathered tribe, with its watchfulness and parental eye—emblematic of our position among the nations:—its very attitude—outstretching wings of protection, the olive branch and arrows, emblems of peace and war, in its talons.

Our beautiful and glorious banner of stars and stripes:—the blue in which the stars shine, and the stars themselves are the gigantic insignia of the open heavens—of a nation whose power will be universal—a World of States!

And, why was the first Congress called the "*Continental Congress*?" unconscious, though those, who named it thus, were of the fact, yet it was one of the letters in the great alphabet of the world's foreshadowed history, which the wise may read and wonder at—a "*Continental Congress*," emblematic of what we are to be in another century—a Continental Nation! Yes, unconscious, though they were, and as thousands still are at this day, yet, it is, nevertheless, a fact, that 2500 years ago, Isaiah, the prophet of God, symbolized our nation in the attractive challenge—"Ho! the land of overshadowing wings," &c.—"Who sendeth ambassadors by the sea in vessels—swift messengers, &c."*

* Isaiah xviii. 1. It is now generally admitted by commentators, that the

Lo! if God be for us, who shall stand against us? Our course must be onward and upward. The great work of discipling the nations to freedom must go forward. And, if all this be in store for us, how great are our reasons for rejoicing this day! Let us prove ourselves worthy of the great trusts committed to our national care. In the language of our eloquent Everett—"The work, the work must go on. It must reach at the North to the enchanted cave of the magnet, within never-melting barriers of Arctic ice;—it must bow to the lord of day on the altar-peak of Chimborazo; it must look up and worship the southern cross. From the easternmost cliff on the Atlantic that blushes in the kindling dawn, to the last promontory on the Pacific, which catches the parting kiss of the setting sun, it must make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice in the gladsome light of [Liberty], morals, letters, and arts."

allusions in this chapter are to the American Republic. The word "Wo" in the beginning of the chapter, is a mis-translation, and should be read Ho!—attraction! "Who sendeth ambassadors by sea"—It is a fact that the United States cannot send ambassadors to any other country, but by sea. The language of the prophet—"Swift Messengers"—is peculiarly striking when applied to our Steamships! And when the literal import of the words—"in vessels of bulrushes" is critically analyzed, it will be found that the word *bulrushes* signifies a vessel which *goes swiftly!* and *drinks up water!*—a more perfect description could not be given of a steamboat.

APPENDIX No. 67.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the bonds and sureties presented to them by the Supervisors recently appointed, and, having approved of the same, recommend the adoption of the annexed resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.

ROBERT KELTON,

THOMAS POTTER,

JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.,

GEORGE W. SIMONS,

WILLIAM NEAL,

GEO. WILLIAMS,

O. THOMPSON.

August, 12, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Accepting the sureties of certain supervisors.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by the following named Supervisors, for the faithful performance of their duties, be accepted, to wit:

James Riding, surety for William Riding; Charles Perine, surety for Evan Dalrymple; William H. French, surety for John Gibbs; Daniel B. Beitler and John Stewart, sureties for James Kelly; Henry Schell and Charles Geehr, sureties for William M. Wilson; J. B. Thompson and John B. Hahn, sureties for John Sailor; Henry R. Gaskill, surety for William T. Doyle; John D. Lentz, surety for James Davenport; John W. Hoffner, surety for Daniel R. Harper; John C. Gilbert, surety for Reuben Sands; Samuel Wright and David E. Thompson, sureties for Isaac Mann; Thomas Haig and Alfred R. Lentz, sureties for Edward Painter; John Williamson and Jacob Myers, sureties for Joseph S. Williams; Wm. P. Cooper and Geo. L. Ritman, sureties for Daniel D. George; Nathan W. Ellis and Saml. W. Black, sureties for Joshua Ellis; William Smith, surety for Wm. A. Frederick; John

Sloan, surety for Joseph Freas; Edward Holgate, surety for Jacob M. Keech; Joseph Boucher, surety for William D. Thomas; Samuel W. Middleton, surety for John W. Middleton; John S. Gill, surety for Samuel Ware; Chas. C. Hicks, Jr., surety for George Hart; Friend J. Streeton, surety for John Franklin; Geo. De Hahn and Thomas H. Bartolet, sureties for Chas. A. Souder.

APPENDIX No. 68.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, having considered the applications of John McCarthy, late Chief Commissioner of Highways, Wm. Bonsal, late Register of the Water Department, Gerard R. Tisdale, and Wm. McGlensey, Clerks in the Highway Department, asking that their Sureties may be released, respectfully report the following Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman.*
THOMAS POTTER,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON.
WM. NEAL,
O. THOMPSON.
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
GEO. WILLIAMS,

August 12, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

To enter satisfaction on certain official bonds.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be instructed to enter satisfaction on the official bonds of William Bonsall,

late Register of the Water Department; also, on the bonds of Gerard R. Tisdale, and Wm. McGlensey, late Clerks in the Highway Department; and that the City Solicitor be instructed to enter satisfaction on the official bonds of John McCarthy, late Chief Commissioner of Highways, upon a certificate from the Controller, that the accounts of said McCarthy are correct.

APPENDIX No. 69.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report:—That they have inquired into the sufficiency of Michael Address and William Address, the sureties offered by Conrad B. Address for the faithful discharge of his duties as Chief Commissioner of Highways; also of William Beck and S. McMenemy, the sureties offered by James M. Gibson as Commissioner of Highways; also of Isaac Rittenhouse and John Rittenhouse, the sureties offered by J. S. Rittenhouse as Commissioner of Highways; also of George Robinson, Charles Lafferty and Isaac W. Hughes, the sureties of Augustine Bartholomew as Superintendent of City Railroads, and are satisfied with the sufficiency of said sureties.

Your Committee offer the following Resolution and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman.*

THOMAS POTTER,

GEORGE W. SIMONS,

ROBERT KELTON,

WM. NEAL,

O. THOMPSON,

JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.,

GEO. WILLIAMS.

August 12, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Accepting the sureties of certain officers.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties of Conrad B. Andress, as Chief Commissioner of Highways, to wit: Michael Andress and William Andress, be and the same are hereby accepted; and that the sureties of James M. Gibson as Commissioner of Highways, to wit: William Beck and S. McMenomy, be and the same are hereby accepted; and that the sureties of J. S. Rittenhouse as Commissioner of Highways, to wit: Isaac Rittenhouse and John Rittenhouse, be and the same are hereby accepted; and that the sureties of Augustine Bartholomew as Superintendent of City Railroads, to wit: George Robinson, Charles Lafferty and Isaac W. Hughes be and the same are hereby accepted; and that the City Solicitor be instructed to have the bonds of the same entered of record.

APPENDIX No. 70.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance having carefully examined the present condition of the Treasury of the City, and having closely reviewed the appropriations made to the several Departments of the Municipal Government by the late Councils, (together with the drafts made upon said appropriations, up to the first day of August,) feel it incumbent upon them to present to Councils an Ordinance to create a loan to supply the deficiencies of the past year, as well as to meet the demands that will arise from judgments obtained against the City, not provided for, and whatever necessary appropriation that will be required by the Departments over the amount already granted.

By a report of the Committee on Finance of last year made to Councils, November 25th, 1857, it appeared that the Taxes of that year were based upon an expectation that the dividends on four million of dollars of the stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, due November 15th, would be

promptly paid to the amount of \$170,000; and also the dividend on one million of dollars, subscribed by the Districts of Northern Liberties and Spring Garden, amounting to \$30,000; neither of these having been met there was left an actual deficit of two hundred thousand dollars. In addition to this the estimated receipts from the County Prison, which failed entirely, together with the deficit in the collection of the dues to the Water Department, and also old Claims recovered against the City by legal process, presented such an aggregate of deficiency, as to induce that Committee to recommend a permanent loan of \$300,000.

The Committee in reporting the Ordinance fixing the rate of taxation for the 1858, recommended two dollars as the rate, which would have left a deficiency of \$28,356 99 cents, (See Report Appendix 88, Journal of Common Council 1857.) At the same time a minority report was made recommending \$1 85 as the rate, "and recommending to Councils the Loan Bill reported by the Finance Committee on the 25th of November 1857, thereby distributing this sum through the instrumentality of the Sinking Fund over a period of thirty years, rather than throw the whole of this deficiency upon the tax payers of 1858." Councils by adopting this rate recognized or created a positive deficiency of \$300,000.

The amount already collected from the City through decrees and judgments of the Courts is \$47,857, for which no appropriation has been made, and it is thought that at least from ten to fifteen thousand dollars will be required to meet other claims, now in suit, and to be concluded during the present year.

In the great zeal exhibited by the last Councils to reduce the rate of taxation, the appropriations to several of the Departments will fall far short of the amount actually required to sustain them. This is evident from an examination of the accounts of the following Departments.

The appropriation to the Water Department for 1858 was		\$145,825
Warrants have already been drawn for	\$90,321	
Bills presented to present Head of the Department amounting to	12,000	102,321
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Leaving a balance of		43,504

To carry on this important Department for the remaining five months of the current year.

It is manifest, from the reported condition of the several Water Works, that this amount will fall lamentably behind the requirements of that Department.

The Department of Poor to which	
was appropriated	\$214,640 00
Have expended	159,358 71
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	55,281 29

Seventy-four per-cent of the whole appropriation having been spent in seven months.

The Committee will refer to a few of the leading items in that Department :

Item 1.	Appropriation for	Flour,	\$18,800,	expended,	\$14,104 35
" 2.	"	Beef, &c.,	21,000,	"	16,958 86
" 4.	"	Tea and Coffee,	4,800,	"	4,116 47
" 5.	"	Brown Sugar,	3,500,	"	3,237 14
" 7.	"	Butter, &c.,	2,040,	"	2,038 97
" 8.	"	Crackers,	275,	"	271 59
" 12.	"	Potatoes,	2,175,	"	1,563 84
" 26.	"	Drugs,	4,040,	"	3,969 02
" 31.	"	Wine,	450,	"	448 62
" 32.	"	Whiskey,	460,	"	392 85
" 33.	"	Porter,	660,	"	608 25
" 45.	"	Leather,	1 600,	"	1,597 66
" 46.	"	Tallow,	800,	"	799 98
" 59.	"	Lumber,	1,200,	"	1,199 40

It is apparent from the above abstract that the appropriation will be largely deficient, even under the most economical management for the balance of the year.

Several other of the Departments of the City Government have expended largely in excess of a proper ratio for the time.

With these facts before the Committee, and with a desire to maintain the financial credit of the City of Philadelphia, earnestly commending to the newly elected Heads of Departments a rigid and careful system of economy which will prove the only sound basis for reduced taxation, and as no other remedy for the present financial embarrassment suggests itself, your Committee offer the accompanying

Ordinance creating a permanent loan of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

And ask the adoption of the Resolution annexed.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 WM. NEAL,
 O. THOMPSON,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

August 12, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize a Loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the City.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia be, and he is hereby authorized to borrow at not less than par, on the credit of the City Corporation, from time to time, as may be required by the City Treasurer, such sums of money as may be necessary to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the said Corporation, not exceeding in the whole the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars, for which interest, not to exceed the rate of six per cent. per annum, shall be paid half yearly, on the first days of January and July, at the office of the City Treasurer; the principal of said loan shall be payable and paid at the expiration of thirty years from the date of the same, and not before, without the consent of the holders thereof; and certificates therefor, in the usual form of certificates of City loan, shall be issued in such amounts as the lenders may require, but not for any fractional part of one hundred dollars; or, if required, in amounts of five hundred or one thousand dollars, and it shall be expressed in said certificates, that the said loan therein mentioned, and the interest thereof, are payable free from all taxes.

SEC. 2. Whenever any loan shall be made by virtue hereof, there shall be, by force of this ordinance, annually appropriated out of the income of the corporate estates,

and from the sum raised by taxation, a sum sufficient to pay the interest on said certificates, and the further sum of three-tenths of one per centum on the par value of such certificates so issued, shall be appropriated quarterly, out of said income and taxes, to a sinking fund, which fund and its accumulations are hereby specifically pledged for the redemption and payment of said certificates.

RESOLUTION

Directing the Clerk to publish &c.,

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized and required to publish in two daily newspapers of this city, daily for four weeks, the ordinance presented to the Common Council, at a stated meeting thereof, held on the twelfth day of August 1858, entitled "an Ordinance to authorise a loan to pay claims against, and to defray expenses of the City;" and the said Clerk, at the stated meeting of Councils next after the expiration of four weeks from the first day of said publication, shall present to Councils one of each of the said newspapers for every day in which the same shall have been made.

APPENDIX No. 71.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways respectfully report the accompanying Ordinances, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*.
THOMAS POTTER,
ALFRED DAY,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
WM. BRADFORD,
D. C. ENOS.

AN ORDINANCE

To regulate the paving of Streets, Lanes, and Alleys.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That in any contract hereafter to be made for paving or repaving in any public or private street, lane, or alley in said City, whether made by property-owners or by the Department of Highways, the depth of gravel shall be at least 16 inches below the top of the paving stones when finished; and any violation by a contractor of this regulation shall be a bar to his recovering the payment for said work.

SEC. 2. That when the District Surveyor shall have measured that portion of the paving chargeable to the property-owners upon the line of any street as aforesaid, and made out bills for the same, it shall be the duty of the Chief Commissioner of Highways to certify on the said bills that the paving has been done in a workmanlike manner, and in conformity with the requirements of the above first Section; and no owner of property shall be liable for paving of any street, lane, or alley, unless done in accordance with the foregoing Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the payment of Six Hundred Dollars to John Draper, a claim for damages assessed in opening Sixth Street, near Elbow Lane.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Six Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay John Draper for a certain claim of damages assessed in opening Sixth Street, near Elbow Lane.

SEC. 2. A Warrant for the payment of the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Chief Commissioner of Highways in favor of said John Draper for the aforesaid amount, say Six Hundred Dollars.

APPENDIX No. 72.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the Communication from the Chief Engineer, reporting the Hope Fire Engine Co. for disobedience of orders at the fire on Sunday afternoon, June 20th, on Tenth Street, above Passyunk Road, would respectfully report, that after a patient investigation of the charge, that the Chief Engineer was not sustained ; and would ask the adoption of the following Resolution :

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman.*
W. W. SMEDLEY,
P. B. MINGLE,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
A. MCINTYRE,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
O. P. CORNMANN.

August 12, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 73.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Trusts and Fire De-

partment beg leave to offer the accompanying Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
P. B. MINGLE,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
A. MCINTYRE,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
O. P. CORNMAN.

August 12, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize and require the Superintendent of Trusts to make certain Investments.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Superintendent of Trusts is hereby authorized and required to invest in City Loan and in the Stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, from the principal sum belonging and pertaining to the yellow fever fund, the sum of three hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty cents—provided, That the said Superintendent shall not invest of said fund in the said Stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, a larger sum than shall be required to purchase one share.

SEC. 2. That such warrants as may be necessary to execute this Ordinance, shall be drawn by the Superintendent of Trusts.

APPENDIX No. 74.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire De-

partment beg leave to offer the accompanying Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*.

W. W. SMEDLEY,

P. B. MINGLE,

WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,

RICHARD V. BRENNAN,

N. WALSH,

A. MCINTYRE,

August 12, 1858. O. P. CORNMAN.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts for the purposes therein mentioned.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Twenty Dollars, out of the income of the fund bequeathed by John Scott, of Edinburgh, and now vested in the Corporation of the City of Philadelphia, "to distribute premiums among ingenious men and women who make useful inventions," be and the same is hereby appropriated to the Superintendent of Trusts, to pay the same to Professor William Chauvenet, the Franklin Institute having reported the said person as being the author of a useful invention within the terms prescribed by the creator of the said trust.

SEC. 2. The Warrant for the payment of the same shall be drawn by the Superintendent of Trusts.

APPENDIX No. 75.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN :—Your Committee, to whom was referred a communication of Lane Schofield, making certain

charges of malfeasance in office, against Patrick McAntee, Supervisor of the Twentieth Ward, respectfully report, that the charges made against the Supervisor may be reduced to two :

1st. That he sold the gravel, for his own profit, which he dug from Girard Avenue while grading it.

2nd. That he used the horses and carts employed by the City in filling up a Lot which he was employed to fill by a private contract.

Your Committee, in conjunction with the City Solicitor, had several meetings, and examined fully and carefully the witnesses which were produced, and are of the opinion that these charges were not sustained by the testimony adduced.

Mr. Schofield endeavored to obtain the attendance of other witnesses whom he alleged could prove the truth of these charges, but failed to procure their appearance, although in possession of the subpoena of the Committee.

Your Committee would suggest that, in order to make investigations, such as the one submitted to them, effective, power must be lodged in the Committee either of themselves or through Councils to compel the attendance of witnesses. The Act of Consolidation provides that Councils, through their Committees, may require the attendance of witnesses by subpoena, but is silent as to the mode by which the testimony of contumacious witnesses may be obtained.

An Act of Assembly should be had, making it as contempt for which attachment should issue and be punishable by fine or otherwise, for any person to refuse or neglect to appear before a committee of Councils when properly subpoenaed, or to refuse to answer any legal question duly propounded by the Committee or the counsel.

These remarks are made because your Committee felt, while endeavoring to make the investigation committed to them, the need of such power either in them or in Councils.

Your Committee, however, do not wish to be understood as saying that the result of this investigation would have been different, had they been able to obtain the fullest attendance of witnesses, for of this they do not know.

The operations of a Committee investigating allegations of the malfeasance or misdemeanors of public officers will always be retarded and in many instances wholly defeated,

if witnesses can with impunity set at defiance the subpoena of the Committee, for in most of cases those persons who can best expose such frauds are interested either pecuniarily or by friendship in preventing an investigation.

PETER BOBB, *Chairman*,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
JOHN F. MASCHER.

Your Committee report the following

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the select Committee to whom was referred certain charges against Patrick McAntee, Supervisor of the Twentieth Ward, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 76.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

To whom the Petition of Albert Potts, Esq., was referred, asking on behalf of the Post Office Department of the United States, the privilege to attach to certain Lamp Posts of the City of Philadelphia, Metallic Letter Boxes, for Postal purposes.

Respectfully sheweth that they are persuaded that the privilege asked for, ought to be cheerfully granted; the City will be at no expense thereby, the Post Office Department bearing all costs of making attachments, &c., &c.; neither will there be any damage done to the Lamp Posts, nor their efficiency impaired, as the intended letter-boxes will be so constructed as to slip down on the post, requiring no drilling to fasten them thereon.

The laudable object of the Post Office Department, being to afford greater facility to the citizens for the posting of letters and papers, these boxes will be placed on lamp posts in all parts of the city, at convenient distances apart, into which letters can be deposited at any hour of the day and night, thereby dispensing with the boxes now in use, which are located in stores, hotels, &c.

Your Committee herewith present an ordinance for making these attachments, and ask for its adoption.

August 12, 1858.

THOMAS POTTER,
JNO. P. WETHERILL,
JOSEPH MEGARY.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Post Office Department of the United States, to attach Metallic Letter Boxes to the Lamp Posts of the City of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the Post Office Department of the United States, be, and are hereby authorized to attach Metallic Letter Boxes to such Lamp Posts of the City as they deem necessary for Postal purposes; provided, that the work be done under the supervision of the Committee on Police, and that the City be at no expense thereby.

APPENDIX No. 77.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POOR.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia :

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Poor respectfully report, that they have had under consideration, the report of the “Guardians of the Poor,” asking for an additional appropriation to meet the current expenses of the Institution, for the balance of the year 1858.

The deficiency in this Department, reaches the enormous sum of \$57,666, *fifty-seven thousand six hundred and sixty-six dollars!*

The cause of this deficiency, had its origin in the desire of the previous administration to reduce the taxes; thus deceiving the people, for the purpose of holding the power. The recklessness of such a course of deception, is now apparent, and its consequences are upon us.

In addition to the deficiency asked for, we have had under consideration, bills to the amount of \$8,581, eight thousand five hundred and eighty-one dollars, overdrawn, up to July, for which there was no appropriation!

It is to be regretted, that men, when elected to do the business of the City, are guilty of actions, which they would not tolerate in their own business.

The accompanying report is presented to Councils, so that they may see what is required. Your Committee will report an ordinance at an early day, together with other information in regard to the management of the Alms House.

Yours Respectfully,

GEORGE F. GORDON, *Chairman*,
JOHN R. GHEEN,
JAMES M'CAHEN,
HENRY DAVIS,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
STEPHEN BENTON.

August 19, 1858.

ITEM. No.	Amount Appropriated.	Balance Unexpended.	Extra Appropriat'n Required.
1. For flour and corn meal,	\$18,800	\$4,695 65	\$5,600
2. For beef and mutton, bacon and pork,	21,000	2,872 92	9,500
3. For codfish,	550	141 50	350
4. For tea and coffee,	4,800	683 33	2,300
5. For brown sugar,	3,500	214 24	2,200
6. For rice,	1,800	665 62	350
7. For butter and lard,	2,040	1 03	1,200
8. For crackers,	275	3 41	300
9. For pepper, hops, and malt,	136	33 35	90
10. For molasses,	2,400	591 97	800
11. For vinegar and pickles,	130	71 58	
12. For potatoes and beans,	2,175	134 75	1,500
13. For salt,	140		100
14. For eggs,	270	4 81	150
15. For marketing for the Old Women's Asylum,	350	163 74	
16. For marketing for Almshouse,	700	607 48	
17. For shirting, sheeting, and flannels,	1,635	23 01	1,200
18. For calico, ticking, diaper, and crash,	740	333 65	200
19. For blankets,	600	475 00	
20. For boots and shoes, provided that the said boots and shoes shall be pur- chased of the Board of Managers of the House of Refuge,	700	700 00	No proviso
21. For hose,	250	215 75	
22. For yarn, thread and cotton,	650	84 85	450
23. For hats,	125	51 63	
24. For combs, needles, and trimmings,	300	216 99	

*For Medicines and Supplies for the Medical
Department of the Almshouse.*

25. For marketing and provisions for sick and nurses in Hospital and Lunatic Asylum,	2,500	739 59	650
26. For drugs and medicines,	4,000	30 98	2,200
27. For white and brown sugar,	200	64 37	100
28. For butter and lard,	150	47 36	75
29. For oat and cake meal,	370	238 40	
30. For brandy, for the use of the sick,	100		150
31. For wine for the use of the sick,	450	1 38	200
32. For whiskey, for the use of the sick,	400	7 15	300
33. For porter, for the use of the sick,	660	6 75	450
34. For surgical instruments,	400	50 48	100
35. For leeches,	200	53 65	75
36. For incidental expenses of Hospital and Lunatic Asylum,	2 0	34 89	100

*For the Expenses of the Children's Asylum,
as follows:*

37. For supplies for Matron's table,	300		200
38. For butter, sugar, and groceries gener- ally,	70	70 00	

ITEM. No.	Amount Appropriated.	Balance Unexpended.	Extra Appropriat'n Required.
39. For yarn and hose,	210	210 00	
40. For muslin, ticking, satinets, flannels, drillings, and dress goods, for boy's and girl's wear,	665	64 77	350
41. For shoes, provided that the same shall be purchased of the Board of Ma- nagers of the House of Refuge,	100	100 00	No proviso.
42. For trimmings for children's clothing, and combs,	50	30 21	
43. For school books,	50	21 50	50
44. For incidental expenses,	100	51 11	

*For the Expenses of the Manufacturing De-
partment as follows :*

45. For Leather,	1,600	2 34	1,500
46. For tallow and caustic alkali,	800	02	500
47. For coal, iron and steel,	130	65 79	
48. For tin, glass, paints, varnish, oil, glue, and brushes,	500	50 31	300
49. For tools and weaving utensils,	80	80 00	
50. For shoe findings,	150	3 15	100
51. For chain and filling,	2,500	8 05	2000
52. For incidentals,	200	22 38	100

*For the Expenses of the Farm, Blockley Es-
tate, and House generally, as follows :*

53. For repairs to stoves, ranges, and other cooking apparatus,	1,200	212 92	800
54. For the construction of an apparatus for roasting coffee,	200	200 00	
55. For repairs,	1,500	932 36	
56. For plumbing,	750	411 03	
57. For furniture,	300		300
58. For hardware and crockery ware,	600	19	400
59. For lumber,	1,200	60	1,000
60. For straw,	1,200	215 55	800
61. For tobacco,	1,000	220 01	600
62. For yarn,	400	76 25	200
63. For soap, candles, lime, and starch,	400		350
64. For oil,	1,000	31	600
For introduction of gas and requisites,	7,200	819 70	
For consumption of gas,	400	213 47	2,000
65. For brushes and brooms, provided they are purchased of the Board of Ma- nagers of the House of Refuge,	600	442 00	No proviso.
66. For feed for horses for use of Almshouse,	300	94 23	150
67. For oats, middlings, and corn meal for horses and cows on farm,	1,200	529 28	
68. For cleansing sinks and chimneys,	400	230 75	
69. For the construction of a new bake oven,	1,200	1,200 00	800
70. For blacksmith work,	200		300
71. For clothes line, thread, cotton, and other trimmings,	225	136 50	
72. For toll,	60	27 80	

ITEM No.	Amount Appropriated.	Balance Unexpended.	Extra Appropriation Required.
73. For swill,	175	66 35	000 00
74. For seed, farming utensils, and repairs,	300	226 73	
75. For manure and repairs to meadow banks,	300	156 50	
76. For board of assistant farmer,	130	57 50	
77. For cost of taking up hogs,	100	100 00	
78. For state Taxes,	500	500 00	
79. For travelling expenses of House Agent,	100	6 00	75 00
80. For the purchase of two farm horses,	250		200 00
81. For quarrying stone,	150	134 00	100 00
For incidentals,	350	17 54	300 00

For Salaries, as follows:

82. For the payment of the salaries of the Steward, Clerk, House Agent, Store-keeper, Matron, Baker, Door-keeper, and Agent's Clerk,	5,420	2,258 38	
83. For salaries of the Chief Resident Physician, Apothecary, Leecher and Cupper, and Engineer,	4,400	1,833 45	
84. For the salary of the Matron and Teacher in the Children's Asylum,	550	229 19	
85. For the salary of the Superintendent of the Manufactory, Farmer, and Gardener,	1,732	721 73	
86. For the salary of the Secretary of the Board, Out Door Agent, Wagon Driver, and Messenger,	2,380	991 69	320 00
87. For salaries of Out door Visitors,	5,450	2,281 31	208 40
88. For the salaries of two additional Visitors, for the months of January and February,	167	33	167 00
89. For the salaries of the Out door Apothecaries,	1,040	504 12	
90. For the salaries of the Out door Physicians,	1,460	717 39	
91. For Wages on pay roll, chargeable to expenses.	1,600	338 00	1,000 00
92. For Wages on pay roll, chargeable to medical Department,	4,000	1,358 50	
93. For Wages on pay roll, chargeable to Children's Asylum,	525	238 00	
94. For Wages on pay roll, chargeable to Manufactory,	280	1 58	250 00
95. For Wages chargeable to farm,	312	242 00	
96. For coal for Almshouse, and hauling,	10,000	1,576 40	
97. For wood for Almshouse,	750	123 57	500 00
98. For ground rent of city office,	180		180 00
99. For the erection of water closets in men's Lunatic Asylum,	1,500	1,290 00	

ITEM No.	Amount Appropriated.	Balance Unexpended.	Extra Appropriation Required.
100. For stationery, printing, and advertising,	1,000	36 95	1,000 00
101. For omnibus tickets for members in going to and from the Alms-house,	300	300 00	

*For the Support and Maintenance of the
Out Door Poor, as follows:*

102. For expenses on account of support and bastardy cases,	10,000	4 852 48	
103. For rent of visitor's offices,	800	333 24	60 81
104. For cupping and leeching,	300		300 00
105. For the burial of small-pox and other cases,	150	19 75	150 00
106. For gas and water rent, and repairs to city office,	200	109 59	100 00
107. For costs in suits of desertion and other cases,	300	300 00	
108. For the removal of non-resident paupers,	400	65 75	250 00

*For the Relief of the Out Door Poor of
the City, as follows:*

109. For the First Poor District, for fuel,	3,000	753 75	
110. For the First Poor District, for other purposes,	1,000	62 75	150 00
111. For the Second Poor District, for fuel,	3,000	83 48	200 00
112. For the Second Poor District, for other purposes,	1,000	196 61	
113. For the Third Poor District, for fuel,	8,000	928 89	
114. For the Third Poor District, for other purposes,	3,500		400 00
115. For the Fourth Poor District, for fuel,	2,200		350 00
116. For the Fourth Poor District, for other purposes,	800		350 00
117. For the Fifth Poor District for fuel,	2,500		250 00
118. For the Fifth Poor District, for other purposes,	1,200	4 75	250 00
119. For the Sixth Poor District, for fuel,	4,000	750 76	
120. For the Sixth Poor District, for other purposes,	1,200	295 19	
121. For the Seventh Poor District, for fuel,	1,000	258 88	
122. For the Seventh Poor District, for other purposes,	700	99 91	150 00
123. For the Eighth Poor District, for fuel,	1,000	193 83	
124. For the Eighth Poor District, for other purposes,	700	59 25	150 00

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ITEM No.	Amount Appropriated.	Balance Unexpended.	Extra Appropriation Required.
125. For the Ninth Poor District, for fuel,	500	9 01	75 00
126. For the Ninth Poor District, for other purposes,	800	11 50	150 00
127. For the Tenth Poor District, for fuel,	450	17 50	75 00
128. For the Tenth Poor District, for other purposes,	800	76 75	175 00
For the Eleventh Poor District, for fuel,			50 00
For the Eleventh Poor District, for other purposes,			50 00
For carriage hire,			1,926 00
For two thousand feet new fire hose,			1,300 00
For repairing hose,			200 00
For board of Resident Physicians,			1,664 00
For lasts for manufactory,			100 00
For salary of visitor of children, C Asylum,			200 00
For traveling expenses of visitor of children,			200 00

APPENDIX No. 78.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of James McFarland, asking to have returned to him, the costs (\$22.14) paid in a certain suit, brought by the City against him, report adversely to the prayer of the petitioner, inasmuch as the costs were an incident of the

said suit, and could be properly corrected or remitted only in the court where the said suit was brought.

W. L. DENNIS, *Chairman*,
 ABR'M. NIPPES,
 CHARLES ENYARD,
 JOHN BOWKER,
 WM. NEAL,
 A. MCINTYRE,
 JOS. MANUEL, JR.,
 D. C. ENOS.

Aug. 19th, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 79.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the claim of Charles M. Harker, for damages occasioned by the conversion of a certain dwelling House (No. 177 Carpenter street, in the City of Philadelphia,) into a police station, respectfully report adversely thereto, inasmuch as the said claimant was unsuccessful in a suit against the City for the alleged damage, the Judge before whom the cause was tried, instructing the jury that the City was not liable for any damages for such alterations.

W. L. DENNIS, *Chairman*,
 ABR'M. NIPPES,
 CHARLES ENYARD,
 JOHN BOWKER,
 WM. NEAL,
 A. MCINTYRE,
 JOS. MANUEL, JR.,
 D. C. ENOS.

Aug. 19th, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 80.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways, would respectfully report having acted upon resolutions and petitions referred to them, and ask the adoption of the accompanying resolutions.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*.

THOMAS POTTER,

ALEX. L. HODGDON,

NATHAN W. ELLIS,

STEPHEN BENTON,

GEO. WILLIAMS,

D. C. ENOS.

Aug. 19th, 1858.

ALFRED C. HARMER.

RESOLUTION 1.

Authorizing the laying of an Iron Pavement.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that B. C. Smith, the inventor, or the petitioners, shall have permission to lay or cause to be laid, at his or their own expense, under the direction of the Chief Commissioner of Highways, one square of his Iron Pavement, provided, that they will take the same up and replace the pavement so removed, whenever directed by Councils, and provided also, that they shall give security for the faithful performance of the same.

RESOLUTION 2.

Authorizing the Paving of Church, Centre, and Huntingdon streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Highways

is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver, for the paving of Church street, from Twenty-second to Twenty-third street, in the Fifteenth Ward, Centre street, from Seventeenth to Nineteenth street, in the Fifteenth Ward, Huntingdon street, from Frankford Road, to the Plank Road, in the Nineteenth Ward. The conditions of which contract shall be, that the contractors will collect the cost and expenses of said paving, from the owners of property fronting on said streets, and that the City shall be liable only for the intersections.

Also, that the contractors shall enter into an obligation to the City to keep the said streets in repair for two years after the paving is finished, and that the water pipes be laid in said streets before the paving is commenced, and the Highway Department is hereby authorized to do the grading on said streets necessary to be done therein preparatory to the paving thereof.

RESOLUTION 3.

Authorizing the Repaving of Little Pine and State streets, with Tramway.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to repave Little Pine street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, in the Fifth Ward, and State street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, in the Tenth Ward, said repaving to be done with tramway stone in the track of the wheels, and if the cartway of the said street is wider than is necessary for a single track, the Commissioner is authorized to reduce the width thereof, so that an equal quantity be taken from each side.

RESOLUTION 4.

Authorizing the Grading of Spring Garden Street, west of Broad and to require the paving of footways on the same street, from Broad to Sixteenth Streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Highway Department is hereby authorized to grade Spring Garden street, west of Broad street, and that the sum of twelve hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said grading.

Also, that the Highway Department is hereby authorized to notify the owners of property on Spring Garden street, from Broad to Sixteenth street, to curb and pave their footways within thirty days from the time of serving said notice by the aforesaid Department.

RESOLUTION 5.

Authorizing the Grading of East Washington Lane.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of the Highway Department, be authorized to enter into a contract with John Nolan, for grading to its established grade, East Washington lane, in the Twenty-second Ward, from Nash street, to East Bristol Township Line Road, for a sum not to exceed \$1,200.

APPENDIX No. 81.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the Ordinance, reorganizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies, my seventh report, for the quarter ending June 30, 1858.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

GENERAL SUMMARY BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS.																
Engine Companies.	6	10		1	6	3	20	1	1	75	13,725	2,825	16,550	575	927	1,289	2,791
Hose Companies.	5	10		1	0		18	4		40	13,639	2,200	15,839	478	890	955	2,317
Hook and Ladder Companies.	11	8	1	2	9		19	4	1	175	13,320	1,302	14,622	722	890	622	2,494
First Class Engines.	5	11	1		5		21	4	1	141	18,520	2,225	20,745	521	582	848	1,951
Second Class Engines.	5		2		2	4	5		2	273	3,100	400	3,500	267	24	56	347
Suctions.	8	2			6	2	8			4,850	4,850	500	5,350	464	98	113	675
Four Wheeled Hose Carriages.	2	2	1		2	1	3	1	1	142	2,200	550	2,750	169	25	102	296
Two Wheeled Hose Carriages.																	
Number of Trucks.																	
Number of feet of Ladders.																	
Number of feet of Good Hose.																	
Number of feet of Old Hose.																	
Total.																	
Active.																	
Honorary.																	
Contributing.																	
Total.																	
Total, -	42	43	5	4	36	11	94	14	6	846	69,354	10,002	79,356	3,190	4,245	4,245	10,871

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER STATEMENT

DATE 1855.	Location	District.	Amount and kind of property.	Cause of Fire.	Los. Real Estate.
April 1,	Twenty-seventh and Girard avenue, - - -	4	Roof of a foundry, - -	Accidental, -	100
" 2,	Ogden street, bel. 10th, -	4	Camphene lamp, - -	Carelessness, -	
" 3,	Gaskill street, bel. 4th, -	1	Cabinet maker's shop, -	Carelessness, -	
" 4,	Fifteenth and Federal sts.,	1	Brick Shed, - - -	Incendiarism, -	10
" 4,	Catharine street, above 3d,	1	Franklin Engine House, -	Carelessness, -	20
" 4,	Buck lane and Federal st.,	1	Brick shed, - - -	Incendiarism, -	
" 4,	Washington st., near Main,	6	Barn, stock, &c., - -	Incendiarism, -	1000
" 5,	Franklinville, - - -	5	Barn, stock, &c., - -	Incendiarism, -	1500
" 6,	S. E. cor. Elgth & Locust,	2	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 7,	Mifflin st., bet. 12th & 13th,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	25
" 7,	Alarm; tar barrel, 20th and Hamilton sts., - -	3			
" 8,	Penn street, below South,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 10,	Queen street, bet. 3d & 4th,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 11,	Alarm, (Humane Engine's bell, - - -)	3			
" 11,	Elgth and Shippen streets,	1	Confectionery store, -	Accidental, -	
" 13,	Poplar street, near 3d, -	4	Cigar store, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 14,	Newmarket and Laurel sts.,	4	Grocery store, - - -	Incendiarism, -	50
" 17,	No. 6 Charles street, -	3	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 17,	Christian street, between 7th and 9th, (Alarm), -	1	Pile of brush, - - -		
" 17,	Eighteenth st., bel. Market,	2	Machine shop, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 17,	Market street, near Mary,	7	Basket of clothes, - -	Accidental, -	
" 17,	Twenty-fourth and Lynn,	3	Window curtain, - -	Accidental, -	
" 18,	Chimney, Newmarket, ab. Green, - - -	4			
" 19,	Elgth street, bel. Shippen,	1	Carpenter shop, - -	Incendiarism, -	40
" 19,	Hancock street, ab. Phoenix,	4	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -	
" 21,	Charles street, bel. South,	1	Stable, - - -	Incendiarism, -	30
" 21,	Chimney, - - -	1			
" 21,	South street, above 7th,	1	Tailor Store, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 24,	Beach st., ab. Shackamaxon,	4	Planing Mill, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 25,	Main street, Frankford,	5	Stable, barn, &c., - -	Incendiarism, -	400
" 26,	Chimney, 2d st., bel. Queen,	1			
" 26,	Chimney, Front and Mary,	1			
" 28,	Rear of 3d, above Poplar,	4	Stable, - - -	Incendiarism, -	100
" 28,	East side of Fourth street, below Market, -	2	China store, - - -	Incendiarism, -	1300
" 29,	Twentieth and Filbert sts.,	2	Feed store, - - -	Incendiarism, -	
" 30,	Passyunk road, bel. Prison,	1	Feed store, rope walk, &c.,	Incendiarism, -	500
May 1,	Second street, ab. Phoenix,	4	Frame stable, stock, &c., -	Incendiarism, -	300
" 1,	Alarm, caused by ringing of Franklin and Marion Hose bells, - - -	1			
" 1,	Alarm, - - -	2			
" 1,	Alarm, (Fire in Jersey,) -	3			
" 1,	Filbert street, above 10th,	2	An unoccupied frame building	Incendiarism,	
" 3,	Alarm, (United States En- gine's bell,) - - -	2			
" 3,	Alarm, (caused by a French- man setting fire to the De- laware river, - -	2			
" 3,	Chimney, Lombard street, near 6th, - - -	1			

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. OF FIRES, &c.

Owners of Real Estate.	Owners of Personal Estate.	INSUR- ANCE ON		Where Insured.	Remarks.
		Real Estate.	Personal Estate.		
City of Philadelphia,		100		No Insurance, -	Trifling.
James Harper, -				No Insurance, -	Trifling.
Franklin Engine Co.,	Franklin Engine Co.,	20		Fire Association, -	Trifling.
Real estate, -	Rev. John Rodney, -	1000		Hand-in-hand, -	
John Draper, -	Isaac Mann, -			No Insurance, -	
Catharine Wilson, -	Daniel Dougherty, -		70	American, -	Trifling.
	Eliza Adams, -	25		Franklin, -	
					Trifling.
					Trifling.
Job Stern, -	William Schell, -		75	Farmers' & Mechanic's,	Trifling.
	Catharine King, -	50	25	Spring Garden and North American, -	Trifling.
					Trifling.
					Trifling.
					Trifling.
John McFaul, -	John McFaul, -			No Insurance. -	Trifling
Real estate, -	Peter Stites, Jno. Mooney,	30		Franklin, -	
					Trifling.
Robert Thornton, -	Robert Thornton, -	200	200	Frankford Mutual, -	Trifling,
Edward Kennedy, -				No Insurance, -	
John A. Brown, -	Turnbull & Co., -	1300	7200	Royal, Franklin, Fame, Green Tree, -	
					Trifling.
John & Jno. McGinnes,	Wm. & John McGinnes,	250	600	Great Western, Farmers' and Mechanics', -	
George Tallman, -	Thomas McPeak, -	300	200	Pennsylvania, Farmers' and Mechanics', -	
					Trifling.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER STATEMENT

DATE 1858.	Location.	District.	Amount and kind of property.	Cause of Fire.	Loss. Real Estate. Personal
May	3, Chlmney, Chesnut, near 8th,	2			
"	5, Barley street, near 11th,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Incendiarism,	75
"	5, Chlmney, Front st., below Walnut,	2			
"	6, Hall street, - - -	1	Dwelling and stable, -	Incendiarism,	
"	7, Chimney, Marker, bel. 2d,	1			
"	7, Alarm, (smoke issuing from church 10th and Filbert.)	2			
"	7, Alarm, (Marion Hose bell.)	1			
"	7, Fourth street, bel. Market,	2	China store, - - -	Incendiarism,	500 25
"	8, No. 525 Carpenter street,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	
"	10, Gray's Ferry road and Darby road, - - -	7	Unoccupied frame building,	Incendiarism,	400
"	10, Frankford road and Venango street, - - -	4	Stable, - - -	Incendiarism,	200
"	12, N. E. cor. 7th and Pine,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Defective flue,	
"	12, Vine street, below 8th,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	10
"	13, N. W. cor. 13th and Arch,	2	Unoccupied Dwelling, -	Incendiarism,	
"	14, Lombard st., bet. 5th & 6th,	1	Stable, - - -	Incendiarism,	
"	14, Alarm, (bonfire Eighth and Fitzwater streets.)	1			
"	14, Alarm, (bonfire Fourth and Prune streets.)	2			
"	15, Alarm, (bonfire Gray's Ferry road.)	1			
"	15, Alarm, (bonfire Thirteenth and Federal streets.)	1			
"	16, Seventh street, bel. Shippen,	1	Church, - - -	Incendiarism,	
"	17, Alarm, (Box 18 broken open,	2			
"	19, Sixth st., below Pine, -	1	Dwelling & lager beer saloon.	Incendiarism,	100 10
"	19, No. 1050 N. Second st.,	4	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental,	
"	19, Alarm caused by the bursting of a carboy of vitriol in Arch st., near Sixth.	2			
"	19, No. 811 Spring Garden st.,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
"	22, Swanson st., ab. Almond,	1	Stable, clothing store, stock, &c	Incendiarism,	650 205
"	22, Alarm, - - -	3			
"	24, Jarvis st., bel. Moyamensing road, - - -	1	Roof of a dwelling, -	Defective flue,	
"	24, Twenty-third st., ab. Filbert,	2	Tube factory, sheds, &c.,	Carelessness, -	100 100
"	28, Chimney, Lombard bel. 6th,	1			
"	28, Lydia st., above School,	4	Cotton factory, stock, &c.,	Accidental, -	100 1800
"	31, Ninth st., below Green,	3	Confectionery Store, -	Accidental,	
"	31, Roxborough, - - -	6	Cotton factory, - - -	Accidental, -	15 50
"	31, Alarm, (bonfire 8th & South,	1			
June	1, Roxborough, - - -	6	Stable, - - -	Accidental, -	60
"	2, Paschalville, - - -	7	Cotton factory, - - -	Accidental, -	500 1100
"	3, West side of Seventh street, below Chesnut, - - -	2	Plaster of Paris Image Manu- factory, - - -	Incendiarism,	50 1000
"	3, Broad and Olive sts., -	4	Sash manufactory, -	Accidental, -	
"	4, Coates st. wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Ice house, - - -	Incendiarism,	1200
"	4, South side of Race, ab. 8th,	2	Truss manufactory, -	Accidental, -	800 670
"	5, Alarm, caused by rekindling of the above, - - -	2			

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

OF FIRES, &c.

Owners of Real Estate.	Owners of Personal Estate.	INSURANCE ON		Where Insured.	Remarks.
		Real Estate.	Personal Estate.		
es Mulholland,	Mary Brown, - -	75		Franklin, - -	Trifling.
A. Brown, -	Turnbull & Co., -	500	2500	Royal, Franklin, Fame, and others, - -	Trifling.
ada., Wilm'n and lt. Railroad Co., es Flood, -	James Flood, - -			No Insurance, -	Trifling,
ard Harris, -	Mary Jane Barton, -	10	40	Philadelphia Fire & Life,	Trifling. Trifling.
					Trifling.
abeth Silva, -	Michael Adams, -	100	100	Green Tree and State Mutual, - - -	Trifling.
ose estate, Gabriel rvey, - -	Hugh Quigg, John Williams, - -		2000	Pennsylvania, -	Trifling. Trifling.
phy & Allison,	Murphy & Allison, -	100	100		
Funston, -	Elliot & Taylor, Jackson, Myers, Tull, Remer & Funston, - - -	100	1800	Del. Mutual, Spring Garden, Farmers and Mechanics', - -	Trifling.
eld & Co., -	Schofield & Co., -	15	50	Franklin, - -	
ony Taylor, -				No Insurance, - -	
ert Calahan, -	Robert Calahan, -	500	1100	Franklin, Del. Mutual, Penna., and Royal,	
Cowell, -	Dufrene & Co., - -	50	1000	Franklin and Philada.,	Trifling
H. Kern, -				No Insurance, - -	
Rice, -	James Miller, F. Westfall, J. P. Reed and others,	800	100	Franklin, and Farmers and Mechanics', - -	Trifling.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER STATEMENT

DATE 1858.	Location.	District.	Amount and kind of property	Cause of Fire.	Loss Real Estate.
June 5,	Poplar st. wharf, Delaware,	4	Screw Dock, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 5,	Aspen st., bet. 21st and 22d,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 6,	Rear of Prune st., below 6th,	2	Carpenter shop, - - -	Incendiarism,	25
" 6,	Third st., below Willing's alley, - - -	2	Dwelling, - - -	Incendiarism,	300
" 7,	No. 1119 Ridge avenue,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 9,	Buck road and Irish Track lane, - - -	1	Brick shed, - - -	Incendiarism,	75
" 10,	Alarm, (Box 18 broken open,)	2			
" 10,	Walnut st., above 13th,	2	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 11,	Young's court, near Second and Christian, - - -	1	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	10
" 11,	East side of Tenth st., ab. Buttonwood, - - -	3	Roof of a dwelling, -	Defective flue,	150
" 11,	Seventeenth and Hamilton,	3	Iron foundry, - - -	Accidental,	
" 11,	Maria st., below 4th, - -	4	Soap factory, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 13,	Washington st., near Oxford	4	Stable, - - -	Incendiarism,	100
" 13,	Fourth st., above Brown,	4	Cigar store, - - -	Accidental, -	70
" 15,	Fitter st., near Columbia,	4	Stable, stock and horses, -	Incendiarism,	50
" 15,	Alarm, (Box 2 broken open,)	2			
" 19,	N. W. cor. 7th and Shippen,	1	Carpenter shop, frame and brick dwellings, shanties, stock, &c., - - -	Carelessness, -	4000
" 19,	Haddington, - - -	7	Farm, stock, &c, - - -	Incendiarism,	500
" 20,	Seventh st., above Pine,	1	Roofs of two dwellings, -	From chimney,	225
" 20,	Tenth st., ab. Passyunk road	1	Fireworks manufactory, -	Carelessness, -	400
" 22,	Nineteenth st., below South,	1	Clothing in a dwelling, -	Carelessness, -	
" 22,	Alarm, Twelfth and Anita,	1	Camphene lamp, - - -		
" 22,	Alder st., near Thompson,	4	Stable, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 27,	S. E. cor. 4th and Carpenter,	1	Pork Sheds, - - -	Accidental,	
" 28,	Fifth st., above Franklin,	5	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 28,	Catharine st., bel. Passyunk road, - - -	1	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	25
" 28,	Market st., above 8th, -	2	Allegheny House, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 29,	Catharine st., above 8th,	1	Roofs of two shanties, -	Incendiarism,	50
" 29,	Alarm caused by smoke is- suing from building 10th and George, - - -	2			
" 29,	Chimney, Broad & Parrish,	4			
" 30,	Rear of Marriott, ab. 8th,	1	Stable, sheds & carpenter shop,	Spon. combustion	300
" 30,	Front st., below Queen,	1	Roof of a dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	100
" 30,	Morris city, - - -	4	Lampblack manufactory,	Accidental, -	200
" 30,	Fourth st., near Rev. wood,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. OF FIRES, &c.

Owners of Real Estate.	Owners of Personal Estate.	INSUR- ANCE ON		Where Insured.	Remarks.
		Real Estate.	Personal Estate.		
Wiley & Ashburner,				No Insurance, -	
John Gordon's estate,	John D. Lutz, -	25	30	Hand in Hand, Penna.,	Trifling.
S. W. Thackeray, H.	S. W. Thackara and H.	300	750	Hand in Hand, Penna.,	Trifling.
McCall, -	McCall, - - -				
May & Turner, -				No Insurance, -	
					Trifling,
Lis Young, -	Eliza McClure, -			No Insurance, -	
		150		Hand in Hand, -	
					Trifling.
					Trifling.
Alan & Miller, -	Henry Myers, - -	100		Spring Garden, -	
John M. Pleis, -	Henry Myers, - -		30	Farmer's and Mechanic's,	
John Walker, -	John Walker, - -			No Insurance, -	
		1500			
John Sunderland, -	John Sunderland, -			No Insurance, -	
John H. Price, -	William Conrade, Anne	225		Franklin, - -	
	J. Courrie, - -				
Jackson & Co., -	Jackson & Co., - -			No Insurance, -	
					Trifling.
					Trifling.
					Trifling.
George L. Sharp, -	George L. Sharp, -	25		Franklin, - -	
					Trifling.
S. Fullerton, -				No Insurance, -	
James Gallagher, Sam'l	James Gallagher, Samuel			No Insurance, -	
Tudor, -	Tudor, - - -				
William Q. Baxter,	William Q. Baxter, -	100		Fire Association, -	
Martin & Co., -	Martin & Co. - -			No Insurance, -	
					Trifling.

RECAPITULATION.

MONTHS.	FIRES.										Department called out.	Department in service.	Loss on Real Estate.	Loss on Personal Estate.	Total Loss.	Insurance on Real Estate.	Insurance on Personal Estate.	Total Insurance.	Loss on Real Estate over Insurance.	Loss on Personal Estate over Insurance.	Total Loss.
	1st District.	2d District.	3d District.	4th District.	5th District.	6th District.	7th District.	Total.	Alarms.	Chimneys.											
1858.																					
April,	12	4	2	7	2	1	1	29	3	4	36	22	5,085	9,910	14,995	2,975	8,170	11,145	2,110	1,740	3,850
May,	10	5	3	4	0	1	0	23	15	5	42	17	2,450	6,940	9,390	1,200	6,790	7,990	1,250	150	1,400
June,	12	6	4	10	0	1	2	35	5	0	38	23	9,190	7,380	16,570	3,775	3,010	6,785	5,415	4,370	9,785
Totals,	34	15	9	21	2	3	3	87	23	9	116	62	16,725	24,230	40,955	7,950	17,970	25,920	8,775	6,260	15,035

LOSS AND INSURANCE BY THE SEVEN DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	Loss.	Insurance.	Loss over Insurance.
First District, - -	\$11,610	\$ 5,050	\$ 6,560
Second do., - -	15,395	14,825	570
Third do., - -	200	200
Fourth do., - -	6,025	2,780	3,245
Fifth do., - -	2,800	400	2,400
Sixth do., - -	1,625	1,065	560
Seventh do., - -	3,300	1,600	1,700
	\$40,955	\$25,920	\$15,035

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION

NAME OF COMPANY.	Steam Engines.	First Class Engines.	Suction Engines.	Four Wheeled Horse Carriages.	Two Wheeled Horse Carriages.	Trucks.	Number of feet of Good Hose.	Number of feet of Bad Hose.	Number of feet of Ladders.	Axes.	Hooks.
		2d Class Engines.									
FIRST DISTRICT.											
1 Franklin Hose, - - -	1		1	1			850	750			
2 Hope Hose, - - -				2			1600				
3 Marion Hose, - - -				2			1050	650			
4 Moyamensing Hose, - - -				2			1600				
5 Niagara Hose, - - -				2			950				
6 Robert Morris Hose, - - -				1			800	500			
7 Shiffler Hose, - - -				2			800	200			
8 Southwark Hose, - - -				2			1000				
9 Vigilant Hose, - - -		1		2			1250	200			
10 Western Hose, - - -				1			1400	150			
1 Delaware Engine, - - -	1	1					525				
2 Franklin Engine, - - -		1					325				
3 Hope Engine, - - -		1					300				
4 Southwark Engine, - - -		1	1	1	1		700	100			
5 Washington Engine, - - -		2	1	1			500	200			
6 Weecacoe Engine, - - -		1	1	1		1	875	75	75	4	4
SECOND DISTRICT.											
1 America Hose, - - -				2			800				
2 Columbia Hose, - - -				1			1679				
3 Fame Hose, - - -				1			850				
4 Good Intent Hose, - - -				2			800	1200			
5 Perseverance Hose, - - -				1			1460				
6 Philadelphia Hose, - - -	1			2	1		1000				
7 Phoenix Hose, - - -		1	1	1			800		40		1
8 Schuylkill Hose, - - -			2	2			800	500			
9 Warren Hose, - - -			1	1			1200	200			
10 Washington Hose, - - -			1	1			800				
1 Columbia Engine, - - -		1			1		400				
2 Diligent Engine, - - -	1	1		2			1200	100			
3 Good Will Engine, - - -		1			1		700				
4 Hibernia Engine, - - -	1	1	1	1	1		750				
5 Philadelphia Engine, - - -		1	1	1			400	200			
THIRD DISTRICT.											
1 Dingent Hose, - - -				2			900	300			
2 Fairmount Hose, - - -				1			800		20		
3 Good Will Hose, - - -				2			800	300			
4 Humane Hose, - - -				2			800	62			
5 Neptune Hose, - - -				2			1075				
6 Pennsylvania Hose, - - -				2			800	250			
7 Tivoli Hose, - - -				1			900	100			
8 United States Hose, - - -				2			1040	60			
1 America Engine, - - -		1			1		300	200			
2 Assistance Engine, - - -	1		1	1			470	30			
3 Fairmount Engine, - - -		1	1	1			740				
4 Humane Engine, - - -		1			1		560				
5 Independence Engine, - - -		1					450				
6 Northern Liberty Engine, - - -		1	1	1			500				
7 Reliance Engine, - - -		1	1	1			600				
8 Spring Garden Engine, - - -		1	1	1			325				
9 United States Engine, - - -	1						350	200			
10 Vigilant Engine, - - -		1			1		600	50			
11 Western Engine, - - -		1			1		500	100			
1 Empire Hook and Ladder Co.,						1			155	4	12

OF THE APPARATUS, JUNE 1, 1858.

Length of time in service during year ending June 1, 1858.	No. fires in service during that period.	Average No. members in attendance.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS.			LOCATION.
			Active.	Honorary.	Contributing.	
All the time,	87	19	50	18	30	West side of Broad street, above Fitzwater.
11 months,	73	25	30	96	154	Union street, below Second.
All the time,	86	29	26	60	14	Queen street, below Sixth.
8 mos., 2 weeks,	90	22	57	38	67	Eighth street, below Fitzwater.
All the time,	82	12	10	38	9	Monroe street, below Third.
10 months,	79	20	26	71	100	Lombard street, above Eighth.
11 months,	85	11	30	22	121	Reed street, below Second.
All the time,	79	24	19	91	164	Third street, below Lombard.
All the time,	97	27	35	9	162	Elghth street, above Wharton.
All the time,	59	23	30	98	23	Twentieth and Harrison streets.
9 months,	45	20	51	7	13	South street, west of Nineteenth.
10 months,	74	20	35	62	70	Catharine street, above Third.
11 mos., 1 week,	79	25	32	26	34	Sixth street, above Fitzwater.
11 months,	53	20	22	109	52	Thlrd street, above Washington.
All the time,	84	16	52	83	95	Lombard street, below Eleventh.
All the time,	75	33	70	99	181	Queen street, below Second.
All the time,	77	14	19	26	73	Carpenter street, between Sixth and Seventh
5 months,	33	15	35	74	75	Cherry street, between Seventh and Eighth
6 months,	26	10	13	33	30	Washington Hose House.
All the time,	67	10	30	95	161	Prune street, below Fourth.
All the time,	82	21	25	50	34	Quarry street, below Third.
All the time,	85	20	25	78	119	Seventh street, corner of Farmer.
All the time,	55	15	10	42	81	Zane street, above Seventh.
All the time,	102	12	15	50	40	Locust street, near Thirteenth.
All the time,	75	20	30	12	42	Baker street, above Eighteenth.
9 months,	61	12	25	51	20	Ninth street, above Filbert.
All the time,	65	18	23	51	29	Filbert street, above Eleventh.
All the time,	55	30	51	84	125	S. W. Corner Tenth and Filbert.
All the time,	70	36	61	89	36	Race street, below Broad.
All the time,	70	31	62	108	70	York street, below Third.
11 months,	70	21	45	47	20	Seventeenth street, below Chesnut.
All the time,	73	14	21	55	6	Madison street, above Race.
All the time,	76	12	29	4	32	Pleasant street, above Eleventh.
All the time,	63	18	34	31	22	Wood street, between 22d and 23d.
All the time,	61	13	15	52	25	Wood street, below Third.
11 months,	49	10	13	95	35	Crown street, between Race and Vine
11 months,	66	12	21	65	15	Eighth street, below Green.
6 months,	15	16	23	6	15	Centre street, above Twenty-Fourth.
All the time,	88	18	24	55	21	Buttonwood street, near Fifth.
10 months,	24	20	20	48	40	Buttonwood street, below Third.
All the time,	48	30	53	40	20	Crown street, below Vine.
All the time,	74	62	158	74	194	Ridge avenue, above Wood street.
All the time,	37	11	27	56	26	Callowhill street, above Second.
All the time,	33	23	43	7	7	Spring Garden street, near Twenty-fourth,
All the time,	81	32	26	62	110	Front street, below Green.
All the time,	54	10	20	24	19	New street, above Second.
All the time,	59	20	33	13	26	Twentieth street, above Callowhill.
10 mos., 2 w'ks,	58	31	42	75	77	Wood street, below Crown.
All the time,	50	28	41	70	88	Race street, below Second.
All the time,	54	28	52	29	19	Callowhill street, below Sixteenth.
11 mos., 2 w'ks,	52	19	27	9	85	Franklin street, above Wood.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION

NAME OF COMPANY.	Steam Engines.	First Class Engines.	2d Class Engines.	Suction Engines.	Four Wheeled Hose Carriages.	Two Wheeled Hose Carriages.	Trucks.	Number of feet of Good Hose.	Number of feet of Bad Hose.	Number of feet of Ladders.	Axes.	Hooks.
FOURTH DISTRICT.												
1 Cohocksink Hose, - -					1	1		1000	100			
2 Independence Hose, - -					2			1050				
3 Kensington Hose, - -					2			1000				
4 Lafayette Hose, - -					2			800	400			
5 Northern Liberty Hose, - -					2			1700				
6 Ringgold Hose, - -					1			800				
7 South Penn Hose, - -					2			850				
8 Spring Garden Hose, - -					2			1000				
9 Taylor Hose, - -					2			900	200			
10 United Hose, - -					1			1000	500			
11 William Penn Hose, - -					2			1200	100			
1 Friendship Engine, - -		1					1	650				
2 Globe Engine, - -		1					1	770	275			
3 Good Intent Engine, - -		1		1				900	100			
4 Hand-in-Hand Engine, - -		1		1				400	550			
5 Mechanic Engine, - -		1				1		500				
1 Protection Hook and Ladder, - -							1			141	4	6
FIFTH DISTRICT.												
1 Excelsior Hook and Ladder, - -							1			116	4	10
2 Rescue Hook and Ladder, - -							1			127	4	9
1 Decatur Engine, - -			1	1				1000				
2 Franklin Engine, - -			1	1				600				
3 Liberty Engine, - -		1	1	1				350	200			
4 Union Engine, - -		1		1				500		20		1
5 Washington Engine, - -			1	1				650	200	30		4
SIXTH DISTRICT.												
1 Germantown Hose, - -					2			600				
2 Nicetown Hose, - -					2			800				
1 Columbia Engine, - -		1		1				493				
2 Fellowship Engine, - -			1	1				1000				
3 Franklin Engine, - -		1						300		100		2
4 Good Intent Engine, - -			1	1				200				
5 Manayunk Engine, - -		1	1	1				500				
6 Mount Airy Engine, - -		1						150				
7 Washington Engine, - -		1		1				700				
8 Wissahickon, - -		1						400				
SEVENTH DISTRICT.												
1 Union Hose, - -					1			950				
2 West Philadelphia Hose, - -					2			650	350			
1 Monroe Engine, - -		1	1			1		200	100			
2 West Philadelphia Engine, - -			1					300				
1 Mantua Hook and Ladder, - -		1					1	100	100	142	2	7

OF THE APPARATUS, JUNE 1, 1858.

Length of time in service during year ending June 1, 1858.	No. fires in service during that period.	Average No. members in attendance.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS.			LOCATION
			Active.	Honorary.	Contributing.	
All the time,	41	30	30		125	Germantown Road above Fifth street.
All the time,	56	20	30	46	56	George street below Third.
11 months,	21	20	25	30	22	Queen street, near Wood.
11 months,	40	15	26	45	40	Fourth street, above Brown.
All the time,	51	40	59	90	200	New Market street, above Brown.
All the time,	53	13	18	13	27	Randolph street, above Girard Avenue.
All the time,	41	11	31	18	22	Tenth street, above Girard Avenue.
5 months,	27	15	20	15	12	Parrish street, below Twelfth.
11 months,	51	16	30	12	10	Howard street, above Putnam.
11 months,	40	12	30	11	17	Brown street, below Twelfth.
All the time,	58	20	31	48	59	Frankford Road, below Franklin Avenue.
All the time,	23	39	35	26	100	Third street, above Brown.
All the time,	18	11	20	21	24	Germantown Road, above Second street.
All the time,	46	15	31	90	25	Allen street, above Frankford Road.
All the time,	29	25	25	52	20	Ninth street, above Poplar.
All the time,	42	15	49	31	13	Brown street, near Fifteenth.
All the time,	25	15	28	15	46	Front street, above Franklin Avenue.
11 mos., 2 w'ks,	22	16	27	7	3	Franklin street, between Unity and Sellers.
All the time,	26	19	27	2	7	Aramingo street.
All the time,	39	10	51		12	Church street.
All the time,	13	21	40	3		Franklin street.
All the time,	8	20	25			Holmesburg.
All the time,	14	18	42	11	14	Rising Sun.
All the time,	39	40	52	1	20	Frankford, between Sellers and Oxford
All the time,	10	20	28	1	6	West Washington street, below Main.
11 months,	25	15	25	3	20	Nicetown.
All the time,	12	60	75	50	40	Wistar street.
9 months,	8	30	75			Armat street.
All the time,	10	20	31	22	10	Germantown Avenue, above Franklin.
All the time,	4	30	43	6	17	Roxborough.
All the time,	7	30	67	8		Main street, Manayunk.
11 months,	7	20	31	6	12	Mount Airy.
All the time,	9	30	50	4	4	Corner of Main and Walnut streets.
All the time,	1	25	28	1	4	Wissahickon.
All the time,	39	12	23		35	Garden street, near Thirty-Fifth.
11 mos., 2 w'ks,	40	25	32		14	Park street, above Market.
All the time,	13	17	46	3	17	Monroeville.
11 mos., 6 days,	33	16	43	22	19	Market st., between Moore and Margaretta
All the time,	28	11	25		17	Till street, below Haverford Road.

TOTAL APPARATUS.

Hose Companies,	-	-	-	-	-	43
Engine Companies	-	-	-	-	-	42
Truck Companies,	-	-	-	-	-	5

CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils, of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the sixteenth section of the supplement to an ordinance, approved January 30, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the number of fires that I have been present at during the quarter, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Yours, very respectfully,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this nineteenth day of August, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,

Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
April 1	Germantown Road near Seventh,	4	No alarm.
" 1	Twenty-seventh and Girard Avenue,	4	do.
" 2	Ogden below Tenth,	4	Out.
" 3	Gaskill St. below Fourth,	1	Out.
" 4	Federal and Fifteenth,	1	Present.
" 4	Catharine St. above Third,	1	Out.
" 4	Buck Lane and Federal,	1	Present.
" 4	Washington St. near Main,	6	do.
" 5	Franklinville.	5	Out.
" 6	S. E. cor. of Eighth and Locust,	2	Present.
" 7	Mifflin Street bet. Twelfth and Thirteenth,	1	No alarm.
" 7	20th and Hamilton Sts.,	3	do.
" 8	Penn below South,	1	Present.
" 10	Queen below Fourth,	1	Out.
" 11	Alarm, Humane Engine's Bell,	3	do.
" 11	Eighth and Shippen Sts.,	1	do.
" 13	Chimney.	4	do.
" 14	New Market and Laurel,	4	No alarm.
" 17	No. 6 Charles Street,	3	Out.
" 17	Alarm, pile of brush,	1	do.
" 17	18th St. below Market,	2	Present.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
April 17,	Market St. near Mary,	7	At the ab. fire.
" 17	24th and Lynn Sts.,	3	No alarm.
" 18	Chimney. New Market above Green,	4	do.
" 19	Eighth St. below Shippen,	1	Present.
" 19	Hancock Street,	4	No alarm.
" 21	Charles Street below South,	1	Present.
" 21	Chimney,	1	Out.
" 21	South above Seventh,	1	Not alarmed.
" 24	Beach above Shackamaxon Street,	4	do.
" 25	Main Street, Frankford,	5	Out.
" 26	Chimney, Second below Queen,	1	Not alarmed.
" 26	Chimney, Front and Mary,	1	Out.
" 28	Rear of Third above Poplar,	4	Out of town.
" 28	Fourth Street below Market,	2	Present.
" 29	20th and Filbert Sts.,	2	do.
" 30	Pas-yunk Road below Prison,	1	do.
May 1	Second above Phoenix,	4	Out.
" 1	Alarm, Franklin and Marion Hose Belle,	1	Not alarmed.
" 1	Alarm,	2	Out.
" 1	Alarm, Fire in Jersey,	3	do.
" 1	Filbert Street above Tenth,	2	Present.
" 3	Alarm, United States Engine Bell,	2	Out.
" 3	Alarm, setting fire to the Delaware River,	2	do.
" 3	Chimney, Lombard St. above Sixth,	1	Present.
" 3	Chimney, Eighth above Chestnut,	2	Out.
" 5	Barley Street below Eleventh,	1	Not alarmed.
" 5	Chimney, Front below Walnut,	2	Out of town.
" 6	Hall Street,	1	do.
" 7	Chimney, Marker Street below Second,	1	Not alarmed.
" 7	Alarm, smoke issuing from church Tenth and Filbert,	2	Present.
" 7	Alarm, Marion Hose Bell,	1	Out.
" 7	Fourth below Market,	2	Present.
" 8	No. 525 Carpenter Street,	1	do.
" 10	Grey's Ferry Road near Darby Road,	7	Not alarmed.
" 10	Frankford Road near Venango,	4	Out.
" 12	N. E. cor. of Seventh and Pine Sts.,	1	Present.
" 12	Vine Street below Eighth,	3	Out of town.
" 13	N. W. cor. of Thirteenth and Arch Sts.,	2	do.
" 14	Lombard Street between 5th and 6th Streets,	1	Present.
" 14	Alarm, bonfire, 8th and Fitzwater,	1	Out.
" 14	Alarm, bonfire 4th and Prune,	2	do.
" 15	Alarm, bonfire Grey's Ferry Road,	1	do.
" 15	Alarm, bonfire 13th and Federal,	1	Not alarmed.
" 16	Seventh below Shippen,	1	Present.
" 17	Alarm, Box No. 18 broken open,	2	Out.
" 19	Sixth Street below Pine,	1	Present.
" 19	No. 1050 N. Second Street,	4	do.
" 19	Alarm, Carboy of Vitrol, 6th and Arch,	2	do.
" 19	No. 811 Spring Garden Street,	3	do.
" 22	Swanson St. above Almond,	1	do.
" 24	Jarvis St. below Moyamensing Road,	1	Out.
" 24	Twenty-third above Filbert,	2	Present.
" 28	Chimney, Lombard St. below Sixth,	1	do.
" 28	Lydia above School,	4	do.
" 31	Roxborough,	6	Not alarmed.
" 31	Ninth Street below Green,	3	Out.
" 31	Alarm, bonfire Eighth and South,	1	Present.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
June 1	Roxborough,	6	Not alarmed.
" 2	Pascalville,	7	do.
" 3	Seventh Street below Chestnut,	2	Present.
" 3	Broad and Olive,	4	Out.
" 4	Coates Street Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Present.
" 4	South side of Race Street above Eighth,	2	do.
" 5	Alarm,	2	do.
" 5	Polpar Street Wharf,	4	do.
" 5	Aspen Street between 21st and 22nd Streets,	3	do.
" 6	Rear of Prune Street below Sixth,	2	do.
" 6	Third Street below Willing's Alley,	2	do.
" 7	No. 1119 Ridge Avenue,	3	Not alarmed.
" 9	Buck Road and Irish Track Lane,	1	Present.
" 10	Alarm, Box No. 18 broken open,	2	Out.
" 10	Walnut Street above Thirteenth,	2	Present.
" 11	Young's Court near Second and Christian,	1	do.
" 11	East side of 10th above Buttonwood,	3	Out.
" 11	Seventeenth and Hamilton Streets,	3	do.
" 11	Maria Street above Fourth,	4	Not alarmed.
" 13	Washington Street near Oxford,	4	Present.
" 13	Fourth Street above Brown,	4	do.
" 15	Fidler near Columbia,	4	do.
" 15	Strawberry below Market,	2	Not alarmed.
" 15	Alarm,	4	do.
" 16	Alarm, Box No. 3 broken open,	2	Out.
" 19	Seventh and Shippen Streets,	1	Present.
" 19	Haddington,	7	Out.
" 20	Seventh below Barley Streets,	1	Present.
" 20	Tenth and Passyunk Road,	1	do.
" 22	Nineteenth below South,	1	Not alarmed.
" 22	Twelfth and Anita Streets,	1	do.
" 22	Alder Street near Thompson,	4	Present.
" 27	Fourth Street, cor. of Carpenter.	1	Not alarmed.
" 28	Fifth Street above Franklin,	4	do.
" 28	Catharine Street below Passyunk Road,	1	do.
" 28	Market Street above Eighth,	2	Present.
" 29	Catharine Street above Eighth,	1	do.
" 29	Alarm, Tenth and George,	2	Out.
" 29	Chimney, Broad and Parrish,	4	Not alarmed.
" 30	Marriott's Lane near Eighth,	1	Present.
" 30	Front Street below Queen,	1	do.
" 30	Morris City,	4	Out.
" 30	Fourth near Redwood,	1	Present.

FIRST ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreably to the sixteenth section of the supplement to an ordinance approved January 30, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the number of fires

that I have been present at during the quarter, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Yours, very respectfully,

W. E. STANCLIFF,

Engineer of the First Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this tenth day of July,
A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,

Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
April 1	Germantown Road near Seventh,	4	Not alarmed.
" 1	Twenty-seventh and Girard Avenue,	4	do.
" 2	Ogden below Tenth,	4	Out.
" 3	Gaskill St. below Fourth,	1	Present.
" 4	Federal and Fifteenth,	1	Out.
" 4	Catharine St. above Third,	1	Present.
" 4	Buck Lane and Federal,	1	do.
" 4	Washington St. near Main,	6	Out.
" 5	Franklinville,	5	do.
" 6	S. E. cor. of Eighth and Locust,	2	Not alarmed.
" 7	Mifflin Street bet. Twelfth and Thirteenth,	1	Out.
" 7	20th and Hamilton Sts.,	3	At the ab. fire.
" 8	Penn below South,	1	Present.
" 10	Queen below Fourth,	1	do.
" 11	Alarin, Humane Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
" 11	Eighth and Shippen Sts.,	1	do.
" 13	Chimney,	4	Not alarmed.
" 14	New Market and Laurel,	4	do.
" 17	No. 6 Charles Street,	3	do.
" 17	Alarm, pile of brush,	1	Present.
" 17	18th St. below Market,	2	Not alarmed.
April 17	Market St. near Mary,	7	do.
" 17	24th and Lynn Sts.,	3	do.
" 18	Chimney, New Market above Green,	4	do.
" 19	Eighth St. below Shippen,	1	Present.
" 19	Hancock Street,	4	Not alarmed.
" 21	Charles Street below South,	1	Present.
" 21	Chimney,	1	Out.
" 21	South above Seventh,	1	do.
" 24	Beach above Shackamaxon Street,	4	Not alarmed.
" 25	Main Street, Frankford,	5	do.
" 26	Chimney, Second below Queen,	1	Present.
" 26	Chimney, Front and Mary,	1	do.
" 28	Rear of Third above Poplar,	4	Out.
" 28	Fourth Street below Market,	2	Present.
" 29	20th and Filbert Sts.,	2	Out.
" 30	Passyunk Road below Prison,	1	Present.
May 1	Alarm above Phoenix,	4	do.
" 1	Alarm, Franklin and Marion Hose Bells,	1	Out.
" 1	Alarm,	2	do.
" 1	Alarm, Fire in Jersey,	3	do.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
May	1 Filbert Street above Tenth,	2	Present.
"	3 Alarm, United States Engine Bell,	2	Not alarmed.
"	3 Alarm, setting fire to the Delaware River,	2	Out.
"	3 Chimney, Lombard St. above Sixth,	1	Present.
"	3 Chimney, Eighth above Chestnut,	2	Out.
"	5 Barley Street below Eleventh,	1	Present.
"	5 Chimney, Front below Walnut,	2	Out.
"	6 Hall Street,	1	do.
"	7 Chimney, Marker Street below Second,	1	do.
"	7 Alarm, smoke issuing from church Tenth and Filbert,	2	do.
"	7 Alarm, Marion Hose Bell,	1	do.
"	7 Fourth below Market,	2	Present.
"	8 No. 525 Carpenter Street,	1	do.
"	10 Grey's Ferry Road near Darby Road,	7	Not alarmed.
"	10 Frankford Road near Venango,	4	do.
"	12 N. E. cor. of Seventh and Pine Sts.,	1	Out.
"	12 Vine Street below Eighth,	3	do.
"	13 N. W. cor. of Thirteenth and Arch Sts.,	2	do.
"	14 Lombard Street between 5th and 6th Streets,	1	Present.
"	14 Alarm, bonfire, 8th and Fitzwater,	1	Out.
"	14 Alarm, bonfire 4th and Prune,	2	do.
"	15 Alarm, bonfire Grey's Ferry Road,	1	do.
"	15 Alarm, bonfire 13th and Federal,	1	Not alarmed.
"	16 Seventh below Shippen,	1	Present.
"	17 Alarm, Box No. 18 broken open,	2	Out.
"	19 Sixth Street below Pine,	1	Present.
"	19 No. 1050 N. Second Street,	4	Not alarmed.
"	19 Alarm, Carboy of Vitrol, 6th and Arch,	2	Out.
"	19 No. 811 Spring Garden Street,	3	Not alarmed.
"	22 Swanson St. above Almond,	1	Present.
"	24 Jarvis St. below Moyamensing Road,	1	do.
"	24 Twenty-third above Filbert,	2	do.
"	28 Chimney, Lombard St. below Sixth,	1	Not alarmed.
"	28 Lydia above School,	4	Out.
"	31 Roxborough,	6	Not alarmed.
"	31 Ninth Street below Green,	3	do.
"	31 Alarm, bonfire Eighth and South,	1	Out.
June	1 Roxborough,	6	Not alarmed.
"	2 Pascalville,	7	do.
"	3 Seventh Street below Chestnut,	2	Present.
"	3 Broad and Olive,	4	Not alarmed.
"	4 Coates Street Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Out.
"	4 South side of Race Street above Eighth,	2	Present.
"	5 Alarm,	2	do.
"	5 Polpar Street Wharf,	4	Out.
"	5 Aspen Street between 21st and 22nd Streets,	3	Not alarmed.
"	6 Rear of Prune Street below Sixth,	2	Present.
"	6 Third Street below Willing's Alley,	2	do.
"	7 No. 1119 Ridge Avenue,	3	Not alarmed.
"	9 Buck Road and Irish Track Lane,	1	Present.
"	10 Alarm, Box No. 18 broken open,	2	Out.
"	10 Walnut Street above Thirteenth,	2	Not alarmed.
"	11 Young's Court near Second and Christian,	1	Present.
"	11 East side of 10th above Buttonwood,	3	Out.
"	11 Seventeenth and Hamilton Streets,	3	Not alarmed.
"	11 Maria Street above Fourth,	4	do.
"	13 Washington Street near Oxford,	4	Out.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
June 13	Fourth Street above Brown,	4	Out.
" 15	Fidler near Columbia,	4	do.
" 15	Strawberry below Market,	2	do.
" 15	Alarm,	4	
" 16	Alarm, Box No. 3 broken open,	2	do.
" 19	Seventh and Shippen Streets,	1	Present.
" 19	Haddington.	7	Out.
" 20	Seventh below Barley Streets,	1	Present.
" 20	Tenth and Passyunk Road,	1	do.
" 22	Nineteenth below South,	1	Out.
" 22	Twelfth and Anita Streets,	1	do.
" 22	Alder Street near Thompson,	4	do.
" 27	Fourth Street, cor. of Carpenter.	1	Present.
" 28	Fifth Street above Franklin,	4	Not alarmed.
" 28	Catharine Street below Passyunk Road,	1	do.
" 28	Market Street above Eighth,	2	Out of town.
" 29	Catharine Street above Eighth,	1	do.
" 29	Alarm, Tenth and George,	2	Out.
" 29	Chimney, Broad and Parrish,	4	Not alarmed.
" 30	Marriott's Lane near Eighth,	1	Present.
" 30	Front Street below Queen,	1	do.
" 30	Morris City,	4	Out.
" 30	Fourth near Redwood,	1	do.

SECOND ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils, of the City of Philadelphia .*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the sixteenth section of the supplement to an ordinance, approved January 30, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the number of fires that I have been present at during the quarter, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Yours, very respectfully,

D. M. LYLE,

Engineer of the Second Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this seventh day of July, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
April	1 Germantown Road near Seventh,	4	Not alarmed.
"	1 Twenty-seventh and Girard Avenue,	4	do.
"	2 Ogden below Tenth,	4	Present.
"	3 Gaskill St. below Fourth,	1	do.
"	4 Federal and Fifteenth,	1	Out.
"	4 Catharine St. above Third,	1	Present.
"	4 Buck Lane and Federal,	1	Out.
"	4 Washington St. near Main,	6	do.
"	5 Franklinville,	5	Present.
"	6 S. E. cor. of Eighth and Locust,	2	Not alarmed.
"	7 Mifflin Street bet. Twelfth and Thirteenth,	1	Out.
"	7 20th and Hamilton Sts.,	3	do.
"	8 Penn below South,	1	Present.
"	10 Queen below Fourth,	1	do.
"	11 Alarm, Humane Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
"	11 Eighth and Shippen Sts.,	1	Not alarmed.
"	13 Chimney.	4	Out.
"	14 New Market and Laurel,	4	Not alarmed.
"	17 No. 6 Charles Street,	3	Present.
"	17 Alarm, pile of brush,	1	Not alarmed.
"	17 18th St. below Market,	2	do.
"	17 Market St. near Mary,	7	do.
"	17 24th and Lynn Sts.,	3	do.
"	18 Chimney, New Market above Green,	4	Present.
"	19 Eighth St. below Shippen,	1	do.
"	19 Hancock Street,	4	do.
"	21 Charles Street below South,	1	do.
"	21 Chimney,	1	Not alarmed.
"	21 South above Seventh,	1	do.
"	24 Beach above Shackamaxon Street,	4	Present.
"	25 Main Street, Frankford,	5	Not alarmed.
"	26 Chimney, Second below Queen,	1	do.
"	26 Chimney, Front and Mary,	1	do.
"	28 Rear of Third above Poplar,	4	Present.
"	28 Fourth Street below Market,	2	do.
"	29 20th and Filbert Sts.,	2	do.
"	30 Passyunk Road below Prison,	1	do.
May	1 Second above Phoenix,	4	do.
"	1 Alarm, Franklin and Marion Hose Bells,	1	Not alarmed.
"	1 Alarm,	2	Out.
"	1 Alarm, Fire in Jersey,	3	do.
"	1 Filbert Street above Tenth,	2	Present.
"	3 Alarm, United States Engine Bell,	2	Out.
"	3 Alarm, setting fire to the Delaware River,	2	do.
"	3 Chimney, Lombard St. above Sixth,	1	do.
"	3 Chimney, Eighth above Chestnut,	2	do.
"	5 Barley Street below Eleventh,	1	Present.
"	5 Chimney, Front below Walnut,	2	do.
"	6 Hall Street,	1	Not alarmed.
"	7 Chimney, Marker Street below Second,	1	do.
"	7 Alarm, smoke issuing from church Tenth and Filbert,	2	Present.
"	7 Alarm, Marion Hose Bell,	1	Out.
"	7 Fourth below Market,	2	Present.
"	8 No. 525 Carpenter Street,	1	Not alarmed.
"	10 Grey's Ferry Road near Darby Road,	7	do.
"	10 Frankford Road near Venango,	4	Present.
"	12 N. E. cor. of Seventh and Pine Sts.,	1	Out.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
May 12	Vine Street below Eighth,	3	Present.
" 13	N. W. cor. of Thirteenth and Arch Sts.,	2	do.
" 14	Lombard Street between 5th and 6th Streets,	1	Not alarmed.
" 14	Alarm, bonfire, 8th and Fitzwater,	1	Out.
" 14	Alarm, bonfire 4th and Prune,	2	do.
" 15	Alarm, bonfire Grey's Ferry Road,	1	do.
" 15	Alarm, bonfire 13th and Federal,	1	Not alarmed.
" 16	Seventh below Shippen,	1	Present.
" 17	Alarm, Box No. 18 broken open,	2	Out.
" 19	Sixth Street below Pine,	1	Present.
" 19	No. 1050 N. Second Street,	4	Not alarmed.
" 19	Alarm, Carboy of Vitrol, 6th and Arch,	2	Out.
" 19	No. 811 Spring Garden Street,	3	Present.
" 22	Swanson St. above Almond,	1	do.
" 24	Jarvis St. below Moyamensing Road,	1	Not alarmed.
" 24	Twenty-third above Filbert,	2	Present.
" 28	Chimney, Lombard St. below Sixth,	1	Not alarmed.
" 28	Lydia above School,	4	Present.
" 31	Roxborough,	6	Not alarmed.
" 31	Ninth Street below Green,	3	Present.
" 31	Alarm, bonfire Eighth and South,	1	Out.
June 1	Roxborough,	6	Not alarmed.
" 2	Pascalville,	7	do.
" 3	Seventh Street below Chestnut,	2	Present.
" 3	Broad and Olive,	4	do.
" 4	Coates Street Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	do.
" 4	South side of Race Street above Eighth,	2	do.
" 5	Alarm,	2	Out.
" 5	Polpar Street Wharf,	4	Present.
" 5	Aspen Street between 21st and 22nd Streets,	3	do.
" 6	Rear of Prune Street below Sixth,	2	do.
" 6	Third Street below Willing's Alley,	2	do.
" 7	No. 1119 Ridge Avenue,	3	do.
" 9	Buck Road and Irish Track Lane,	1	Out.
" 10	Alarm, Box No. 18 broken open,	2	do.
" 10	Walnut Street above Thirteenth,	2	Not alarmed.
" 11	Young's Court near Second and Christian,	1	Out.
" 11	East side of 10th above Buttonwood,	3	Present.
" 11	Seventeenth and Hamilton Streets,	3	do.
" 11	Maria Street above Fourth,	4	do.
" 13	Washington Street near Oxford,	4	do.
" 13	Fourth Street above Brown,	4	Out of town.
" 15	Fitler near Columbia,	4	Present.
" 15	Strawberry below Market,	2	Out.
" 15	Alarm,	4	
" 16	Alarm, Box No. 3 broken open,	2	do.
" 19	Seventh and Shippen Streets,	1	Present.
" 19	Haddington,	7	Out.
" 20	Seventh below Barley Streets,	1	Present.
" 20	Tenth and Passyunk Road,	1	do.
" 22	Nineteenth below South,	1	Not alarmed.
" 22	Twelfth and Anita Streets,	1	do.
" 22	Alder Street near Thompson,	4	Out.
" 27	Fourth Street, cor. of Carpenter.	1	Not alarmed.
" 28	Fifth Street above Franklin,	4	do.
" 28	Catharine Street below Passyunk Road,	1	do.
" 28	Market Street above Eighth,	2	Present.
" 29	Catharine Street above Eighth,	1	do.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
June 29	Alarm, Tenth and George,	2	Out.
" 29	Chimney, Broad and Parrish,	4	Out.
" 30	Marriott's Lane near Eighth,	1	Present.
" 30	Front Street below Queen,	1	do.
" 30	Morris City,	4	do.
" 30	Fourth near Redwood,	1	Not alarmed.

THIRD ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils, of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the sixteenth section of the supplement to an ordinance, approved January 30, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the number of fires that I have been present at during the quarter, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Yours, very respectfully,

W. H. LOUGHEAD,
Engineer of the Third Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this seventh day of July, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
April 4	Washington Street near Main,	6	Out.
" 5	Franklinville,	5	Present.
" 19	Hancock Street,	4	do.
" 25	Main Street, Frankford,	5	do.
May 1	Alarm, fire in Jersey,	2	Out.
" 10	Frankford Road and Vienna,	4	Present.

FOURTH ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the sixteenth section of the supplement to an ordinance approved January 30,

1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the number of fires that I have been present at during the quarter, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Yours, very respectfully,

MICHAEL YOUNG,

Engineer of the Fourth Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this eighth day of July, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,

Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
April 4	Washington Street near Main,	6	Present.
" 5	Franklinville,	5	do.
" 25	Main Street, Frankford,	5	Out.
May 10	Frankford Road near Venango,	4	do.
" 31	Roxborough,	6	do.
June 1	Roxborough,	6	do.
" 19	Haddington,	7	do.

FIFTH ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to the sixteenth section of the supplement to an ordinance approved January 30, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the number of fires that I have been present at during the quarter, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Yours, very respectfully,

JOHN GIVEN,

Engineer of the Fifth Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this twentieth day of July, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
May 22	Swanson Street above Almond,	1	Present.
" 24	Twenty-third and Filbert,	2	do.
" 28	Lydia above School,	4	Out.
June 4	Coates Street Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	do.
" 4	South side of Race Street above Eighth,	2	Present.
" 19	Haddington,	7	do.

Philadelphia Fire Department.

Chief Engineer:

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Vaughn Street, below Walnut.

Engineers:

First Division,	WILLIAM E. STANCLIFF,	2d Street, below Queen,
Second “	DAVID. M. LYLE,	1022 Ridge Avenue,
Third “	WILLIAM H. LOUGHHEAD,	Frankford,
Fourth “	MICHAEL YOUNG,	Germantown,
Fifth “	JOHN GIVEN,	Lancaster Av. ab. Haverford R

Secretary:

EDWIN F. MILLER.

The following is a correct account of the number of times the State House Bell has been struck during the year ending June 1, 1858.

1857.	First District	Second District	Third District	Fourth District	Seventh District	Total
June,	8	3	4	1		16
July,	1	3	1	3	1	9
August,	2	2	1	7		12
September,	1	2	1	2	2	8
October,	6	7	6	5	2	26
November,	9	5	2	4		20
December,	8	7	4	2		21
1858.						
January,	4	4	4			12
February,	7	7	1	3		18
March,	7	5	3	2	2	19
April,	8	1		2		11
May,	5	9	1	2		17
	66	55	28	33	7	189

Bell Ringers:

Joseph Bickley, State House,
 George W. Sheetz, 419 South Twentieth Street,
 Robert A. Hill, Barge street, near 10th.

List of the number and location of the Fire Alarm Stations, Numerically and by Districts.

Keys of the Signal Stations are in possession of the Police, and are also placed in some convenient store in the neighborhood of the box.

The ringing of the Bells within the Signal Stations, denotes the number of the Station that gives the alarm, thus:—one tap, a pause, and three taps, another pause, and five taps—1—3—5—indicates that the alarm came from box No. 135.

The State House and Fire Alarm Bells in the several Districts, will strike the number of the Fire District *twice*, and the direction *four* times: each bell striking the direction from itself. Should the fire be in the vicinity of the State House, the bells in the boxes will ring incessantly.

In cases of general alarm, requiring the service of the entire Department, the bells will be rung incessantly in quick succession, after having first signified the District in which the fire is raging.

No.	Location.
1.	State House.
2.	Girard Bank.
3.	Cor. Second and Dock Sts.
4.	Cor. Second and South Sts.
5.	Cor. Second and Washington Sts.
6.	Cor. Fifth and Washington Sts.
7.	Cor. Eighth and Washington Sts.
8.	Cor. Eighth and Catharine Sts.
9.	Cor. Broad and Washington Sts.
12.	Cor. Fourth and Lombard Sts.
13.	Cor. Eighth and Lombard Sts.
14.	Cor. Eleventh and Lombard Sts.
15.	Cor. Broad and South Sts.
16.	Cor. Eighteenth and Lombard Sts.
17.	Cor. Twentieth and Lombard Sts.
18.	Cor. Twentieth and Walnut Sts.
21.	Cor. Seventh and Market Sts.
23.	Cor. Eighth and Walnut Sts.
24.	Cor. Eighth and Arch Sts.
25.	Cor. Ninth and Market Sts.
26.	Cor. Eleventh and Market Sts.
27.	Cor. Broad and Walnut Sts.
28.	Cor. Broad and Market Sts.
31.	Cor. Eighteenth and Market Sts.
32.	Cor. Twenty-second and Market Sts.
34.	Cor. Twentieth and Cherry Sts.
35.	Cor. Twentieth and Callowhill Sts.
36.	Cor. Seventeenth and Callowhill Sts.
37.	Cor. Broad and Coates Sts.
38.	Cor. Eighteenth and Coates Sts.
41.	Cor. Third and Market Sts.
42.	Cor. Front and Market Sts.
43.	Cor. Second and Race Sts.
45.	Second St. above Callowhill.
46.	Cor. Second and Green Sts.
47.	Cor. Second St. and Germantown Road.
48.	West end of Market St. Bridge.
51.	Cor. Fourth St. and York Avenue.
52.	Cor. Sixth and Callowhill Sts.

No.	Location.
53.	Cor. Ninth and Green Sts.
54.	Cor. Tenth and Callowhill Sts.
56.	Cor. Broad and Race Sts.
57.	Cor. Broad and Callowhill Sts.
58.	Cor. Twelfth and Coates Sts.
59.	Cor. Seventeenth and Vine Sts.
61.	Cor. Second and Laurel Sts.
62.	Cor. Frankford Rd. and Maiden St.
63.	Cor. Frankford Road and Franklin Av.
64.	Cor. Frankford Road and West St.
65.	Cor. Frankford Rd. and Vienna St.
71.	Cor. Queen and Shackamaxon Sts.
72.	Cor. Queen and Cherry Sts. ;
73.	Cor. Queen and Norris Sts.
74.	Cor. Queen and Lehigh Avenue.
81.	Franklin Avenue and Fifth St.
82.	Girard Avenue and Ninth St.
83.	Ninth and Poplar Sts.
84.	Girard Avenue and Broad St.
85.	Girard Avenue and Ridge Avenue.
124.	Point Breeze Gas Works.
138.	Cor. Broad and Jefferson Sts.
146.	S. G. Gas Works.
123.	1st Dist. Stat. House, Moya. Hall.
125.	2d do Southwark Hall.
127.	3d do Union ab. Third.
128.	4th do Cherry ab. Fourth.
134.	5th do 15th ab. Locust.
135.	6th do Filbert ab. 15th.
137.	7th do North'n Lib. Hall.
143.	8th do Spring Garden Hall.
145.	9th do 22d and Coates St.
153.	11th do Fr. Rd. and York St.
154.	12th do 10th and Thompson.
156.	13th do Manayunk.
157.	14th do Germantown.
162.	15th do Frankford.
163.	16th do West Philad'a.

FIRST DISTRICT.*South of Spruce Street, from Delaware to Schuylkill.*

No.	Location.
4.	Cor. Second and South streets.
5.	Cor. Second and Washington sts.
6.	Cor. Fifth and Washington sts.
7.	Cor. Eighth and Washington sts.
8.	Cor. Eighth and Catharine sts.
9.	Cor. Broad and Washington sts.]
12.	Cor. Fourth and Lombard sts.
13.	Cor. Eighth and Lombard sts.
14.	Cor. Eleventh and Lombard sts.
15.	Cor. Broad and South sts.
16.	Cor. Eighteenth and Lombard sts.]
17.	Cor. Twentieth and Lombard sts.
124.	Point Breeze Gas Works.
123.	1st Dist. Stat. H., Moyamens'g Hall.
125.	2d do do 2d ab. Christian.]
127.	3d do do Union ab. Third.

SECOND DISTRICT.*Spruce to Race St. Delaware to Schuylkill.*

No.	Location.
1.	State House.
2.	Girard Bank.
3.	Cor. Second and Dock sts.
18.	Cor. Twentieth and Walnut sts.
21.	Cor. Seventh and Market sts.
23.	Cor. Eighth and Walnut sts.
24.	Cor. Eighth and Arch sts.
25.	Cor. Ninth and Market sts.
26.	Cor. Eleventh and Market sts.
27.	Cor. Broad and Walnut sts.
28.	Cor. Broad and Market sts.
31.	Cor. Eighteenth and Market sts.
32.	Cor. Twenty-second and Market sts.
34.	Cor. Twentieth and Cherry sts.
41.	Cor. Third and Market sts.
42.	Cor. Front and Market sts.
43.	Cor. Second and Race sts.
50.	Cor. Broad and Race sts.
128.	4th Dist. Stat. H., Cherry ab. Fourth.
134.	5th do do 15th ab. Locust.
135.	6th do do Filbert ab. 15th.

THIRD DISTRICT.*Race to Green St. Delaware to Schuylkill.*

No.	Location.
35.	Cor. Twentieth and Callowhill sts.
36.	Cor. Seventeenth and Callowhill sts.
45.	Second st. above Callowhill.
46.	Cor. Second and Green sts.
51.	Cor. Fourth st. and York Avenue.
52.	Cor. Sixth and Callowhill sts.

THIRD DISTRICT—Continued.

53.	Cor. Ninth and Green sts.
54.	Cor. Tenth and Callowhill sts.
57.	Cor. Broad and Callowhill sts.
59.	Cor. Seventeenth and Vine sts.
137.	7th Dist. St. House, 3rd bel. Green.
143.	8th do do S. Garden Hall.
146.	S. G. Gas Works.

FOURTH DISTRICT.*Green St. to Allegheny Avenue, Delaware to Schuylkill.*

No.	Location.
37.	Cor. Broad and Coates sts.
38.	Cor. Eighteenth and Coates.
47.	Cor. Second st. and Germantown Rd.
58.	Cor. Twelfth and Coates sts.
61.	Cor. Second and Laurel sts.
62.	Cor. Frankford Rd. and Maiden st.
63.	Cor. Frankford Rd. & Franklin Av.
64.	Cor. Frankford Road and West st.
65.	Cor. Frankford Rd. and Vienna st.
71.	Cor. Queen and Shackamaxon sts.
72.	Cor. Queen and Cherry sts.
73.	Cor. Queen and Norris sts.
74.	Cor. Queen and Lehigh Avenue.
81.	Franklin Avenue and Fifth st.
82.	Girard Avenue and Ninth st.
83.	Ninth and Poplar.
84.	Girard Avenue and Broad st.
85.	Girard Avenue and Ridge Avenue.
138.	Cor. road and Jefferson sts.
145.	9th Dist. St. House, Coates and 22d.
153.	11th do do Fr. Rd. & York st.
154.	12th do do 19th & Thompson.

FIFTH DISTRICT.*North of Allegheny Avenue, from Broad St. to Delaware.*

No.	Location.
162.	15th Dist. Stat. House, Frankford.

SIXTH DISTRICT.*North of Allegheny Avenue, from Broad Street to Schuylkill.*

No.	Location.
156.	13th Dist. Stat. House, Manayunk.
157.	14th do do Germantown

SEVENTH DISTRICT.*West Philadelphia.*

No.	Location.
48.	West end of Market street Bridge.
163.	16th Dist. Stat. House, West Phila.

WM. J. PHILIPS,
 Supt Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph.

A list of the Officers and Members of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Fire Department.

President,
SAMUEL S. STONE.

Vice-Presidents,
L. S. RUSH,
GEO. S. WILLETS.

Treasurer,
WM. A. THORP.

Secretary,
EDWIN F. MILLER.

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1. America Engine, Wm. F. Small, Clerk of Common Council.
 2. America Hose, E. D. Yates, Fire Association Office.
 3. Assistance Engine, Wm. E. Gibb, 1120 Hazel street.
 4. Columbia Engine, H. Robinson, Camden, N. J.
 5. Cohocksink Hose, E. Wolfinger, Fifth and Germantown Road.
 6. Columbia, of Germantown, J. C. Toppen, Germantown.
 7. Columbia Hose, R. Vanhorn, 933 Charlotte.
 8. Decatur Engine, J. M. Sterling, Frankford.
 9. Diligent Hose, E. F. Drummel.
 10. Delaware Engine, S. S. Stone, 55 North Front.
 11. Diligent Engine, H. W. Hews, S. E. cor. of Tenth and Arch.
 12. Empire Hook and Ladder, G. S. Willetts, Ledger Office.
 13. Excelsior Hook and Ladder, W. P. Cooper, Frankford.
 14. Fairmount Engine, A. Ruhl, Eighth and Wood.
 15. Fairmount Hose, J. McCalley, 638 Wayne st.
 16. Fame Hose, J. H. Snethan, 913 Filbert.

17. Franklin Engine, P. J. Desmond, 528 Francis st.
18. Franklin Hose, T. Thompson, 718 Florida st.
19. Franklin Engine of Frankford, C. T. Helme, Frankford.
20. Franklin Engine of Germantown, Jacob Gonover, Germantown.
21. Fellowship Engine, Robt. B. Gibson, Germantown.
22. Friendship Engine, Lewis S. Rush, 435 Brown.
23. Good Will Engine, George F. Wilkins, 1035 North.
24. Good Will Hose, William Moore, 333 Twenty-third.
25. Good Intent Engine, S. A. Kensill, Second street, 2 doors above Laurel.
26. Good Intent of Roxborough, Jno. M. Dager, Roxborough.
27. Good Intent Hose, C. Charman, 333 Lombard.
28. Globe Engine, J. W. Blair, 827 N. Second Street.
29. Germantown Hose, Casper Guyer, Germantown.
30. Hand-in-Hand Engine, Jacob C. Hess, 427 North Second street.
31. Humane Hose, B. L. Hepphard, Sixth opposite St. James.
32. Hibernia Engine, James Page, Fourth above Spruce.
33. Hope Hose, F. Allen, Stanley street below Fourth.
34. Hope Engine, W. J. Hazel, 618 south Sixth.
35. Humane Engine, Wm. H. Souder, Thirteenth above Parrish.
36. Independence Engine, Thos. Carroll, Spring Garden P. O.
37. Independence Hose, James W. Hopkins, Coates st. below Second.
38. Kensington Hose, Wm. H. Sparks, Bishop below Queen.
39. Liberty Engine, Powel Clift, Holmesburg.
40. La Fayette Hose, Harrison J. Donnelly, 822 North Fourth.
41. Mantua Hook and Ladder, Wm. H. Faulkner, Gas Office, Market st. Bridge.
42. Manayunk Engine, J. Bolten Drapeny, Manayunk.
43. Marion Hose, D. W. Morris, 365 Sears street.
44. Mechanic Engine, Geo. Wagner, S. W. corner of Sixth and St. James.
45. Moyamensing Hose, P. Maher.

46. Monroe Engine, T. L. Seal, Monroeville.
47. Mount Airy Engine, W. Bishop, Mount Airy.
48. Northern Liberty Engine, S. B. Savin, Fourth st. below Lombard.
49. Neptune Hose, F. N. Wharton, Ogden st. 3d door below Sixteenth.
50. Niagara Hose, John Carrow, Chestnut street above Third.
51. Nicetown Hose, John M. Freed, Nicetown.
52. Northern Liberty Hose, John Abel, Commissioner of Highways office.
53. Philadelphia Engine, C. B. Duncan, 1809 Market street.
54. Pennsylvania Hose, F. Hubbs, No. 2 Freed's Av.
55. Perseverance Hose, W. A. Thorp, Race bet. Second and Third streets.
56. Philadelphia Hose, E. F. Miller, 804 S. Fourth.
57. Phoenix Hose, F. P. McNeil, Sixteenth below Spruce.
58. Protection Hook and Ladder, R. C. Miller, Beach above Poplar.
59. Reliance Engine, L. S. Cairl, 930 Arch street.
60. Ringgold Hose, John Wear, 1011 Laurence st.
61. Robert Morris Hose, H. L. Sinexon, at Perkins' Chestnut below Eighth.
62. Rescue Hook and Ladder, Geo. R. Greenalch, N. E. cor. of Sixteenth and Say.
63. Southwark Engine, John H. Speck, 932 S. Fifth.
64. Schuylkill Hose, John F. Clarkson, Chesnut above Sixth.
65. Spring Garden Engine, Chas. McDonald, Carlton street, 1st door above Twentieth.
66. Shiffler Hose, James Ericsson, Second bel. Franklin.
67. South Penn Hose, R. G. Creighton, Tenth above Girard Avenue.
68. Southwark Hose, E. C. Richardson, Weccacoe street above Queen.
69. Spring Garden Hose, John M. Downs, 1412 Ogden street.
70. Taylor Hose, Wm. J. Toppin, 1343 Union street.
71. Tivoli Hose, N. Curl, Vine st. bet. Twenty-first and Twenty-second.

72. Union Engine, Amos Dressler, Rising Sun.
73. United States Hose, John P. Weaver, New Market and Callowhill.
74. United States Engine, David R. Ettla, 409 Market street.
75. Union Hose, F. Osterholt, Haverford Road above Lancaster Pike.
76. Vigilant Engine, Theo. Wilson, No. 6 N. Tenth ab. Green.
77. United Hose, Jos. H. Fox, No. 1009 Mellon street.
78. Vigilant Hose, H. W. Hawkins, No. 835 Leonard.
79. Washington Engine, Thomas Forbes, Auburn st. ab. Ninth.
80. Warren Hose, B. F. Stewart, No. 6 Chancellor st.
81. Washington Engine of Frankford, E. H. Allen, Frankford.
82. Washington Hose, Hiram Stimmel, at Kerr's opp. State House.
83. Washington Engine of Germantown, J. S. Rittenhouse, Germantown.
84. Western Hose, Harry Baker, 2012 Locust.
85. Weccacoe Engine, Geo. W. Martin, 1006 Jefferson Avenue.
86. Western Engine, Geo. W. Downey, 409 North Fifteenth.
87. Wm. Penn Hose, Geo. W. Kite, 169 Bedford street.
88. West Philadelphia Engine, John V. Freed, West Philadelphia P. O.
89. West Philadelphia Hose, Morris Rodgers, York ab. Park, Twenty-fourth Ward.
90. Wissahickoⁿ Engine, N. Rittenhouse, Wissahickon.

RIGHTS OF THE BOARD AND DUTIES OF COMPANIES.

Powers of the Board of Directors of the Fire Department.

SEC. 1. The powers of this association shall be vested in a board composed of one director from each company in the fire department.

SEC. 2. To make such arrangements with the proper authorities in regard to the fire-plugs and ringing the alarm bells as may be deemed expedient.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the President to take the question on all motions before the board, to enforce the laws, sign all drafts on the Presidents of the respective companies for fines, &c., which shall be honored at sight, and to confirm by his signature all acts of the board requiring publicity.

SEC. 4. It shall defend the companies from all encroachments on their rights, and shall take cognizance of every attempt to injure the property of companies going to or returning from a fire or alarm thereof.

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF COMPANIES.

SEC. 1. Each company shall be entitled to the exclusive use of any badge of distinction it has adopted for the use of its members.

SEC. 2. Each company shall be under the control of its chief director at a fire, subject to the order of the Chief or Assistant Engineers of the department.

SEC. 3. All unnecessary noise or confusion in time of fire shall be avoided, and companies shall accommodate one another as much as possible with water, hose, &c., and every thing done to create a good and friendly feeling in the department.

SEC. 4. Bells of hose carriages shall not be muffled in going to a fire, but in all cases muffled when returning.

SEC. 5. Hose carriages, trucks, or tenders shall not be run close into a fire, so as to interfere with the duties of the firemen on the ground.

SEC. 7. Hose companies shall, as far as possible, supply each engine as it arrives with at least two attachments, so

that the members will be ready to go into immediate service, without leaving their apparatus to look for water.

SEC. 8. The company whose hose first arrives at a plug and carries out the attachment, shall have the control of the same. But no company shall be permitted to take a second plug until the line from the first has been led to the fire, and in case of a company making an attachment without having sufficient hose under its immediate control to carry it out, shall have control of the plug; any other company having hose may connect therewith and have the disposition of the water; and no company shall detain water from an engine actually on the ground, in order to give it to one that shall not have arrived.

SEC. 9. To prevent collision between firemen, it is adopted as a rule that, where two companies shall approximate to each other in going to or returning from a fire or an alarm thereof, the foremost shall invariably keep to the right hand of the street, and the hindermost to the left, and in case either of them shall run into or otherwise obstruct the other in passing, the company committing such outrage, or any company who shall be guilty of rioting or fighting in the public streets, shall pay a fine of twenty dollars for the first offence, thirty dollars for the second and fifty dollars for the third, in addition to the liability to the other company for any damage done to the apparatus.

SEC. 10. At stated meetings in September, December, March and June, the President shall appoint a committee of seven members to be styled the acting committee, who shall be authorized to receive complaints for breaches of any of these rules, or violations of the ordinance; and it shall be their duty, as early as practicable after a complaint has been made, to give attention thereto, and in case a charge shall be sustained before them, they shall report to the board as to the guilt or innocence of the parties, and a majority sustaining their decision, it shall be conclusive.

SEC. 11. The station of the Chief Engineer, or, in his absence, the acting engineer, shall be in front of the fire, and firemen shall obey all orders issued by the Chief or Assistant promptly and without hesitation.

BY-LAWS.

SEC. 1. Stated meetings of the board shall be held on the fourth Monday in each month.

SEC. 2. The President shall convene special meetings at the request of any five companies' delegates.

SEC. 3. Twenty of the Board of Directors assembled at the time and place of meeting, shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 4. The directors shall be chosen by their respective companies, and shall serve for one year from the first stated meeting in the month of June, unless they resign or are recalled by their companies.

SEC. 5. No company shall be entitled to a representation in this board unless they shall have been accepted by Councils, and no engineer shall be entitled to hold the office of Director.

SEC. 6. The Chief and Assistant Engineers shall be at liberty at all times to attend the meetings of the board, but shall not be entitled to a vote.

SEC. 7. The order of business in the meetings of the directors shall be : first, the organization of every new board, the reading of certificates of membership by the Secretary, and, in case of his absence, by a person appointed for that purpose ; secondly, the election, by ballot, of a President, two Vice Presidents and Treasurer, who shall hold their office for one year, if they shall so long behave themselves well. In case of vacancy, the place or places shall be filled by a new appointment.

SEC. 8. If the President and Vice Presidents shall be absent from any of the meetings, a Chairman may be appointed to preside.

SEC. 9. After the election of officers, the roll shall be called and the names of the absentees noted, and the board will proceed to transact business in the following order :

1st.—To read the minutes of the preceeding meeting and have them amended if necessary.

2d.—To consider reports of Committees.

3d.—Deferred business.

4th.—New business.

SEC. 10. At special meetings the business shall be trans-

acted for which the meeting shall have been convened, after which any other business may be considered.

SEC. 11. The President shall preside at the meetings, preserve order therein, and draw orders on the Treasurer, which may be authorized by the board. He shall preserve an account thereof in a book kept for that purpose, and take receipts for the same amounts.

SEC. 12. The Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President in his absence.

SEC. 13. The Secretary shall keep correct minutes of the board, countersign all orders drawn on the Treasurer, and notify the directors of the time and place of meeting; he shall keep a correct account of the fines that may be imposed, and hand the names of the delinquents and the amount to the Treasurer.

SEC. 14. The Treasurer shall give such security as the board may determine, and shall receive the money appropriated to the directors and keep a correct account thereof, and likewise of the sums paid on the orders of the President, countersigned by the Secretary.

SEC. 15. Any Director who may absent himself from a meeting shall be fined twenty-five cents for every such neglect of duty, which shall be paid to the Treasurer to defray the expenses authorized by the board. Sickness and absence from the city of Philadelphia, and no other, shall be deemed a good and sufficient excuse for non-attendance at any meetings of the board.

SEC. 16. Any director who neglects to attend at three successive meetings shall be reported to the company which he represents.

SEC. 17. Resignations of directors must be made to the board, and the companies they represent shall be notified thereof.

SEC. 18. The officers shall each deliver over the books, papers and other property of the board to their successors in office.

A list of the Engine Companies now in service in the City of Philadelphia, with their number, date of institution, and the district in which they are located :

No.	NAME.	DISTRICT.	INSTITUTED.
1.	Hibernia,	2,	February 20, 1752.
2.	Northern Liberty,	3,	May 1, 1756.
3.	Vigilant,	3,	January 2, 1760.
4.	Delaware,	1,	March 21, 1761.
5.	Washington, of Germantown,	6,	March 4, 1764.
6.	Franklin, of Germantown,	6,	———, 1764.
7.	Reliance,	3,	May 10, 1786.
8.	Assistance,	3,	December 28, 1789.
9.	America,	3,	April 10, 1790.
10.	Diligent,	2,	July 4, 1791.
11.	Franklin,	1,	January 17, 1792.
12.	Washington, of Frankford,	5,	———, 1793.
13.	Humane,	3,	March 1, 1794.
14.	Washington,	1,	January 3, 1796.
15.	Friendship,	4,	August 18, 1796.
16.	Columbia,	2,	September 16, 1796.
17.	Hope,	1,	November 11, 1796.
18.	Philadelphia,	2,	January 25, 1799.
19.	Weccacoe,	1,	May 1, 1800.
20.	Good Will,	2,	March 27, 1802.
21.	Decatur,	5,	February 11, 1803.
22.	Mount Airy,	6,	February 9, 1804.
23.	Columbia, of Germantown,	6,	March 6, 1809.
24.	United States,	3,	October 29, 1811.
25.	West Philadelphia,	7,	November 28, 1818.
26.	Good Intent,	4,	April 19, 1819.
27.	Good Intent, of Roxborough,	6,	May 8, 1819.
28.	Union,	5,	March 9, 1819.
29.	Fellowship,	6,	September 3, 1819.
30.	Globe,	4,	May 22, 1820.
31.	Fairmount,	3,	February 22, 1823.
32.	Monroe,	7,	March 8, 1823.
33.	Hand-in-Hand,	4,	May 15, 1823.*
34.	Southwark,	1,	February 5, 1827.
35.	Manayunk,	6,	January 1, 1838.
36.	Mechanic,	3,	August 4, 1839.
37.	Western,	3,	April 7, 1840.
38.	Liberty.	5,	January 1, 1841.
39.	Independence,	3,	February 1, 1847.
40.	Wissahickon,	6,	December 27, 1847.
41.	Franklin, of Frankford,	5,	January 8, 1848.
42.	Spring Garden.	3,	July 12, 1851.

* By order of the Board of Directors of the Fire Department.

First District, -	-	-	-	-	6
Second District,	-	-	-	-	5
Third District,	-	-	-	-	11
Fourth District,	-	-	-	-	5
Fifth District, -	-	-	-	-	5
Sixth District,	-	-	-	-	8
Seventh District,	-	-	-	-	2
Total, -	-	-	-	-	42

A List of the Hose Companies now in service in the City of Philadelphia, with their number, date of institution, and the District in which they are located:

No.	NAME.	DISTRICT.	INSTITUTED.
1.	Philadelphia,	2,	December 15, 1803.
2.	Good Intent,	2,	March 8, 1804.
3.	Humane,	3,	April 10, 1805.
4.	Perseverance,	2,	May 27, 1805.
5.	Neptune,	3,	August 6, 1805.
6.	Hope,	1,	August 17, 1805.
7.	Columbia,	2,	May 1, 1806.
8.	Southwark,	1,	May 6, 1806.
9.	Washington,	2,	February 22, 1811.
10.	Phoenix,	2,	August 25, 1817.
11.	Fame,	2,	January 1, 1818.
12.	Diligent,	3,	June 30, 1820.
13.	United States,	3,	July 4, 1826.
14.	Niagara,	1,	March 28, 1827.
15.	Northern Liberty,	4,	May 7, 1828.
16.	America,	2,	September 2, 1828.
17.	William Penn,	4,	February 3, 1830.
18.	Robert Morris,	1,	March 14, 1831.
19.	Independence,	4,	July 4, 1831.
20.	Pennsylvania,	3,	August 4, 1831.
21.	Lafayette,	4,	October 31, 1831.
22.	Marion,	1,	August 19, 1833.
23.	Schuylkill,	2,	December 9, 1833.
24.	Good Will,	3,	March 1, 1834.
25.	Western,	1,	February 11, 1836.
26.	Moyamensing,	1,	July 22, 1837.
27.	Franklin,	1,	February 12, 1838.
28.	Warren,	2,	March 5, 1838.
29.	Kensington,	4,	January 11, 1842.
30.	Vigilant,	1,	July 4, 1844.
31.	Spring Garden,	4,	May 12, 1845.
32.	Shiffler,	1,	January 8, 1846.
33.	South Penn,	4,	March 27, 1846.
34.	Fairmount,	3,	February 10, 1847.
35.	Ringgold,	4,	March 27, 1847.
36.	Taylor,	4,	May 1, 1847.
37.	Germantown,	6,	May 11, 1848.
38.	Nicetown,	6,	March 13, 1852.
39.	Tivoli,	3,	June 1, 1855.
40.	United,	4,	June 5, 1855.
41.	Union,	7,	April, 1856.
42.	West Philadelphia,	7,	May 10, 1856.
43.	Cohocksink,	4,	September 26, 1856.
	First District,	-	- - - 10
	Second District,	-	- - - 10
	Third District,	-	- - - 8
	Fourth District,	-	- - - 11
	Fifth District,	-	- - - 0
	Sixth District,	-	- - - 2
	Seventh,	-	- - - 2
	Total,	-	- - - 43

A List of the Hook and Ladder Companies now in service in the City of Philadelphia, with their number, date of institution, and the District in which they are located:

No.	NAME.	DISTRICT.	INSTITUTED.
1.	Empire,	3,	February 6, 1851.
2.	Protection,	4,	February 6, 1852.
3.	Rescue,	5,	January 7, 1853.
4.	Excelsior,	5,	January 28, 1853.
5.	Mantua,	7,	March 4, 1855.

First District, -	-	-	-	-	6
Second District,	-	-	-	-	0
Third District, -	-	-	-	-	1
Fourth District,	-	-	-	-	1
Fifth District, -	-	-	-	-	2
Sixth District, -	-	-	-	-	0
Seventh District,	-	-	-	-	1
Total, -	-	-	-	-	<u>5</u>

MAKING IN ALL—

Hose Companies, -	-	-	-	-	43
Engine Companies, -	-	-	-	-	42
Hook and Ladder Companies,	-	-	-	-	<u>5</u>
Total, -	-	-	-	-	90

Names and Residences of the Presidents of the different Hose, Engine, and Hook and Ladder Companies located in the City of Philadelphia:

FIRST DISTRICT.

1. Franklin	Hose,	John Hearst,	Shippen above 13th.
2. Hope	do	Peter Williamson,	804 Pine street.
3. Marion	do	Wm. R. Beattes,	539 Marriott street.
4. Moyamensing	do	Wm. H. Fagen,	809 South Eighth street.
5. Niagara	do	James Preall,	S. E. corner Front and Almond.
6. Robert Morris	do	John F. Shermer,	7 Jefferson Row.
7. Shiffler	do	Christian Gieger,	Fourth above Washington.
8. Southwark	do	James Dalzel,	Parker st. bel. Carpenter, ab. 5th.
9. Vigilant	do	H. W. Hawkins,	835 Leonard street.
10. Western	do	George Tarbett,	2104 Lombard street.
1. Delaware	Engine,	Samuel S. Stone,	515 Queen street.
2. Franklin	do	Sullivan D. Breece,	Washington street, above Ninth.
3. Hope	do	Thomas Martin,	Second st., east side, below Dock.
4. Southwark	do	James T. Young,	7 Turner street.
5. Washington	do	John Craig,	1332 North Seventh street.
6. Weccacoo	do	Jos. R. Lyndall,	857 South Second street.

SECOND DISTRICT.

1. America	Hose,	Wm. H. Hamilton,	22 South Second street.
2. Columbia	do	Sam'l. G. Ruggles,	620 Cherry street.
3. Fame	do	T. A. Town,	112 North Nineteenth street.
4. Good Intent	do	James W. Abbott,	1421 Vine street.
5. Perseverance	do	Peter Fritz,	616 Race street,
6. Philadelphia	do	Sam'l. V. Merrick,	Fourth and Washington.
7. Phoenix	do	Sam'l. Sparhawk,	1310 Arch street.
8. Schuylkill	do	Wm. G. Fritz,	504 South Fourth street.
9. Warren	do	Wm. A. Corrie,	23 Howard street.
10. Washington	do	Thos. McCullough,	Centre st., bel. Mary, 24th Ward.]
1. Columbia	Engine,	Henry H. Busk,	632 North Fifth street.
2. Diligent	do	E. A. Souder,	Spruce street, above Third.
3. Good Will	do	W. J. Pascoe,	1521 Race street.
4. Hibernia	do	James Page,	Fourth street, above Spruce.
5. Philadelphia	do	Jas. S. Thompson,	3 Linden avenue, 13th Ward.

THIRD DISTRICT.

1. Diligent	Hose,	Benj. J. Kensil,	Eleventh below Walnut.
2. Fairmount	do	James McCalley,	638 Wayne street.
3. Good Will,	do		
4. Humane,	do	Chas. R. Bicking,	Eighth street above Noble.
5. Neptune	do	V. J. Kirkpatrick,	127 Allen street.
6. Pennsylvania	do		
7. Tivoli	do	Geo. W. Keys,	Fifteenth and Ogden streets.
8. United States	do	H. J. Garlinger,	1106 Myrtle street.
1. America	Engine,	Wm. F. Small,	508 North Third street.
2. Assistance	do	Dan'l. R. Murphy,	113 Almond street.
3. Fairmount	do	D. M. Lyle,	1117 Ridge Road.
4. Humane	do	Wm. H. Souder,	Thirteenth street above Parrish.
5. Independence	do	James Johnson,	Fifteenth and George street.
6. Nort'n Liberty	do	Wm. M. Ogden,	68 Marshall street.

THIRD DISTRICT—CONTINUED.

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| 7. Reliance | Engine, | L. S. Carl, | 1020 Vernon street. |
| 8. Spring Garden | do | Wm. J. Given, | 2018 Winter street. |
| 9. United States | do | R. W. Marshall, | N. E. corner Seventh and Willow. |
| 10. Vigilant | do | George W. Tryon, | Ridge Avenue and Islington Lane. |
| 11. Western | do | Amos Burton, | Thirteenth and Girard avenue. |
| 1. Empire Hook and Ladder, | | J. S. Hess, | 638 North Seyenth street. |

FOURTH DISTRICT.

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| 1. Cohocksink | Hose, | Alfred Mason, | Corner of Sixth and Little Poplar. |
| 2. Independence | do | James W. Hopkins, | 147 Coates street. |
| 3. Kensington | do | Henry W. Brenner, | 1123 Wood street. |
| 4. Lafayette | do | Robert K. Miller, | 1031 Laurence street. |
| 5. North Liberty | do | C. B. Andress, | 128 Noble street. |
| 6. Ringgold | do | Mich'l J. Brickner, | 1437 Apple street. |
| 7. South Penn | do | J. Helms, | 1235 Cass street. |
| 8. Spring Garden | do | Sam'l C. Rhinehart, | 31 Duke street, 18th Ward. |
| 9. Taylor | do | James Glenn, | Second street, below Oxford. |
| 10. United | do | George W. Riffert, | 1202 Myrtle street. |
| 11. William Penn | do | J. N. Kochersperger | 4216 Marlborough street. |
| 1. Friendship | Engine, | Lewis S. Rush, | 485 Brown street. |
| 2. Globe | do | Edward Jones, | 960 North Second street. |
| 3. Good Intent | do | Jacob Moyer, | Frankford Road and Queen street. |
| 4. Hand in Hand | do | Jacob C. Hess, | 427 North Second street. |
| 5. Mechanic | do | Richard Finch, | 955 Lewis street. |
| 1. Protection Hook and Ladder, | | Joseph R. Brant, | 1305 North Front street. |

FIFTH DISTRICT.

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| 1. Excelsior Hook and Ladder, | | John Arthur, | Tacony street, Frankford. |
| 2. Rescue | do | Thomas Dickson, | Point Lane, Aramingo. |
| 1. Decatur | Engine, | James W. Comley, | Jolly Post, Frankford. |
| 2. Franklin | do | Wm. Glenn, | Hedge street, do. |
| 3. Liberty | do | J. K. Osmon, | Holmesburg. |
| 4. Union | do | Amos Dressler, | Rising Sun. |
| 5. Washington | do | Levi P. Coates, | 123 Frankford street. |

SIXTH DISTRICT.

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| 1. Germantown | Hose, | Caspar Guyer, | Main street, above Wash'ngton. |
| 2. Nicetown | do | Peter Nester, | Nicetown. |
| 1. Columbia | Engine, | Wm. K. Cox, | Main street, Germantown. |
| 2. Fellowship | do | James C. Tully, | Centre street, do. |
| 3. Franklin | do | Philip W. Hammer, | Germant'n av. and Sharpneck, do. |
| 4. Good Intent | do | George Shaw, | Manayunk. |
| 5. Manayunk | do | James Shaw, | Manayunk. |
| 6. Mount Airy | do | William Bishop, | Mount Airy. |
| 7. Washington | do | Charles B. Engle, | Main street, below Germantown. |
| 8. Wissahickon | do | Thomas Umpsted, | Rittenhousetown. |

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

1. Union	Hose, Benj. R. Miller,	Haverford road, ab. Thirty-sixth.
2. West Philad'a	do Morriss Rodgers,	York street, ab. Park, W. Phila.
1. Monroe	Engine, William Lentz,	Lancaster Pike & Monument road.
2. West Philada	do Joseph Young,	Green, bet. Moore and Margaretta.
1. Mantua Hook and Ladder,	Alfred Sheen,	Haverford road & Lancaster Pike.

Names and residences of the Secretaries of the different Hose, Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies, located in the City of Philadelphia :

FIRST DISTRICT.

1. Franklin	Hose, Samuel Perry,	309 North Fifteenth street.
2. Hope	do J. Crawford, Jr.,	2137 Summer street.
Marion	do Geo. Daly,	904 Prime street.
4. Moyamensing	do Daniel Bergan,	904 Auburn street.
5. Niagara	do Henry York,	217 German street.
6. Robert Morris	do Robert T. Gill,	S. E. corner Fourth and Chesnut.
7. Shiffler	do Wm. E. Siddons,	318 Wesley street.
8. Southwark	do John H. Yarnall,	420 South Third street.
9. Vigilant	do P. H. Klonegar,	1217 South Sixth street.
10. Western	do John Gibboncy,	1913 Bedford street.
1. Delaware	Engine, Joseph Bready,	1729 South street.
2. Franklin	do John R. Cantlen,	305 Catharino street.
3. Hope	do J. L. Marshall,	734 Passyunk road.
4. Southwark	do S. S. Simpson,	116 Catharine street.
5. Washington	do Wm. Haight,	405 South Thirteenth street.
6. Weccacoe	do Geo. W. Martin,	1006 Jefferson avenue.

SECOND DISTRICT.

1. America	Hose, Edward D. Yates,	544 North Tenth street.
2. Columbia	do Wm. K. Fraley,	1217 Market street.
3. Fame	do A. H. Duhammel,	313 Walnut street.
4. Good Intent	do Victor J. Abadie,	2 Miller's court.
5. Perseverance	do John G. Butler,	502 North street.
6. Philadelphia	do Jacob J. Phillips,	1104 Girard street.
7. Phoenix	do Thomas Sharp,	708 Sansom street.
8. Schuylkill	do Joseph S. Rudolph,	218 Juniper street.
9. Warren	do James A. Kilda,	2043 Cuthbert street.
10. Washington	do Joseph J. Ryan,	1024 Castle street.
1. Columbia	Engine, P. A. Gallagher,	206 Maiden street.
2. Diligent	do Theo. H. McCalla,	800 Marshall street.
3. Good Will	do Lewis S. Heins,	429 South 20th street.
4. Hibernia	do J. R. Downing,	707 Zane street.
5. Philadelphia	do Sam'l P. Jones, Jr.,	1321 Market street.

THIRD DISTRICT.

1 Diligent	Hose,	Henry C. Cobb,	1609 Wood street.
2 Fairmount	do	Philip J. Stetler,	3 Little Willow street.
3 Good Will	do	John M. Lee,	2033 Wood street.
4 Humane	do	John Hanse,	324 St. John street.
5 Neptune	do	A. J. Bossert,	422 Garden street.
6 Pennsylvania	do	Wm. A. Sinn,	Tenth and Green streets.
7 Tivoli	do	James McConaghy,	Twenty-fifth and Green streets.
8 United States	do	Frank C. Knipe,	323 Noble street.
1 America	Engine,	Thomas T. Moore,	S. W. cor. of Shackamaxon st. and Franklin avenue.
2 Assistance	do	Thomas Durrell,	1447 Robinson street.
3 Fairmount	do	A. C. Stevenson,	412 North Second street.
4 Humane	do	L. S. Pettit,	St. John and Noble streets.
5 Independence	do	James Johnson,	Fifteenth and George streets.
6 North Liberty	do	Samuel B. Savin,	511 South Fourth street.
7 Reliance	do	A. C. Stubb,	2008 Chesnut street.
8 Spring Garden	do	George Hover,	2338 Vine street.
9 United States	do	P. Stackhouse, Jr.,	219 Jacoby street.
10 Vigilant	do	F. A. Hooper,	35 Strawberry street.
11 Western	do	Geo. Downey, Jr.,	409 North Fifteenth street.
1 Empire Hook and Ladder,		Wm. H. Hancocks,	303 Vine street.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

1 Cohocksink	Hose,	Geo. W. Dull,	Columbia avenue above Sixth.
2 Independence	do	S. N. Wright,	S. W. cor. Fourth and George sts.
3 Kensington	do	Wm. H. Sparks,	Bishop street below Queen.
4 Lafayette	do	George Walker,	918 St. John street.
5 North Liberty	do	Chas. S. Austin,	132 York street, 11th Ward.
6 Ringgold	do	Samuel K. Reed,	1442 Apple street.
7 South Penn	do	R. G. Creighton,	Alder street above Girard avenue.
8 Spring Garden	do	Aug. H. Saurman,	1325 North Eighth street.
7 Taylor	do	Wm. McCain,	50 Fidler street.
10 United	do	Joseph L. Fox,	1009 Mellon street.
11 William Penn	do	John J. Jeffries,	Frankford road bel. Franklin av.
1 Friendship Engine,		John B. Hoffman,	1001 North Fifth street.
2 Globe	do	Andrew Hazlet,	Rittenhousetown, 21st Ward.
3 Good Intent	do	Charles Wilkens,	318 Allen street, 18th Ward.
4 Hand in Hand	do	Jacob H. Lentz,	933 Clinton street, above Poplar.
5 Mechanic	do	George Wagner,	Hibbard st. ab. Franklin avenue.
1 Protection Hook and Ladder,		J. M. Deveany,	Dutton st. below Franklin avenue.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

1 Excelsior Hook and Ladder,		Wm. P. Cooper,	Adams street. Frankford.
2 Rescue	do	Edward V. O'Neil,	13 Worrell street, do.
1 Decatur	Engine,	Rufus T. Corson,	Unity street, do.
2 Franklin	do	William Higgs,	Church street, do.
3 Liberty	do	Powel Clift,	Holmesburg.
4 Union	do	J. H. Campbell,	Rising Sun.
5 Washington	do	John S. Rose,	121 Frankford street, Frankford.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

1	Germantown	Hose,	Marshall C. Hong,	Sharpneck street.
2	Nicetown	do	Wm. Warner,	Nicetown.
1	Columbia	Engine,	John S. Sutton,	Miller street, Germantown.
2	Fellowship	do	Paul B. Provost,	Main and Brighthurst streets.
3	Franklin	do	Charles Grant,	Wissahickon.
4	Good Intent	do	John M. Dager,	Roxborough.
5	Manayunk	do	J. B. Gibson,	Manayunk.
6	Mount Airy	do	Hugh H. Shannon,	Mount Airy.
7	Washington	do	George S. Engle,	Main street bel. Harvey.
8	Wissahickon	do	Nich. Ritterhouse,	Rittenhousetown.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

1	Union	Hose,	J. E. Prettymann,	Thirty-fifth and Garden streets.
2	West Philad'a	do	Sam'l McMurray,	Wyoming st., 5 doors ab. Pratt,
1	Monroe	Engine,	Wm. H. Kreider,	Kershon avenue.
2	West Philad'a	do	T. Axworthy, Jr.,	Oak street, 3 doors above Rose.
1	Mantua	Hook and Ladder,	J. Wesley Watt,	S. E. corner Logan and Pratt sts.

A list of the Hose, Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies, located in the City of Philadelphia, with the nights upon which they hold their stated meetings:

ENGINE COMPANIES.

No.	NAME.	DISTRICT.	MEETING NIGHTS.
1	Hibernia,	2	Fourth Friday,
2	Northern Liberty,	3	Third Monday.
3	Vigilant,	3	Second Tuesday.
4	Delaware,	1	Second Friday.
5	Washington, of Germantown,	6	First Thursday,
6	Franklin, of Germantown,	6	First Thursday.
7	Reliance,	3	First Thursday.
8	Assistance,	3	Second Monday.
9	America,	3	Second Monday.
10	Diligent,	2	Second Friday.
11	Franklin,	1	Second Friday.
12	Washington, of Frankford,	5	Once in every three months, com- mencing on the first Tuesday in January.
13	Humane,	3	Third Monday.
14	Washington,	1	First Wednesday.
15	Friendship,	4	First Wednesday.
16	Columbia,	2	Third Thursday.
17	Hope,	1	Third Thursday.
18	Philadelphia,	2	Third Monday.

ENGINE COMPANIES—CONTINUED.

No.	NAME.	DISTRICT.	MEETING NIGHTS.
19	Weccacoe,	1	First Wednesday.
20	Good Will,	2	Second Monday.
21	Decatur,	5	Once in every two months, commencing first Tuesday in January.
22	Mount Airy,	6	First Monday.
23	Columbia, of Germantown,	6	First Monday.
24	United States,	3	First Wednesday.
25	West Philadelphia,	7	First Wednesday.
26	Good Intent,	4	Second Thursday.
27	Good Intent, of Roxborough,	6	First Tuesday.
28	Union,	6	Last Thursday.
29	Fellowship,	6	Second Thursday.
30	Globe,	4	First Thursday.
31	Fairmount,	3	Last Monday.
32	Monroe,	7	First Friday.
33	Hand in Hand,	4	Second Thursday.
34	Southwark,	1	First Tuesday.
35	Manayunk,	6	Last Thursday.
36	Mechanic,	4	First Monday.
37	Western,	3	First Tuesday.
38	Liberty,	5	First Tuesday.
39	Independence,	3	First Tuesday.
40	Wissahickon,	6	Third Saturday.
41	Franklin, of Frankford,	5	First Monday.
42	Spring Garden,	3	Second Tuesday.

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANIES.

1	Empire,	3	Second Wednesday.
2	Protection,	4	First Monday.
3	Rescue,	5	First Monday.
4	Excelsior,	5	Fourth Thursday.
5	Mantua,	7	First Monday.

HOSE COMPANIES.

1	Philadelphia,	2	Second Monday.
2	Good Intent,	2	First Tuesday.
3	Humane,	3	Second Monday.
4	Perseverance,	2	First Friday.
5	Neptune,	3	Second Monday.
6	Hope,	1	First Thursday.
7	Columbia,	2	First Wednesday.
8	Southwark,	1	First Friday.
9	Washington,	1	First Thursday.
10	Phoenix,	2	First Thursday.
11	Fame,	2	First Wednesday.
12	Diligent,	3	First Friday.
13	United States,	3	Second Monday.
14	Niagara,	1	Second Wednesday.
15	Northern Liberty,	4	First Monday.
16	America,	2	Second Monday.
17	William Penn,	4	First Wednesday.

HOSE COMPANIES—CONTINUED.

No.	NAME.	DISTRICT.	MEETING NIGHTS.
18	Robert Morris,	1	First Thursday.
19	Independence,	4	First Monday.
20	Pennsylvania,	3	Second Monday.
21	Lafayette,	4	First Tuesday.
22	Marion,	1	Second Tuesday.
23	Schuykill,	2	First Friday.
24	Good Will,	2	First Tuesday.
25	Western,	1	First Tuesday.
26	Moyamensing,	1	First Thursday.
27	Franklin,	1	First Tuesday.
28	Warren,	2	Second Tuesday.
29	Kensington,	4	Fourth Tuesday.
30	Vigilant,	1	First Thursday.
31	Spring Garden,	4	First Monday.
32	Shiffler,	1	Third Tuesday.
33	South Penn,	4	Second Tuesday.
34	Fairmount,	3	First Monday.
35	Ringgold,	4	First Tuesday.
36	Taylor,	4	First Tuesday.
37	Germantown,	6	First Thursday.
38	Nicetown,	6	First Monday.
39	Tivoli,	3	
40	United,	4	First Monday.
41	Union,	7	Last Tuesday.
42	West Philadelphia,	7	First Tuesday.
43	Cohocksink,	4	First Monday.

APPENDIX No. 82.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, present the accompanying Ordinance, making the annual appropriation to the companies comprising the Fire Department.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman.*

RICHARD V. BRENAN,

P. B. MINGLE,

NICHOLAS WALSH,

O. P. CORNMAN,

A. McINTYRE,

THOMAS P. NORMAN,

WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,

W. W. SMEDLEY,

August 19, 1858.

WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM.

AN ORDINANCE

Making an Appropriation to the Companies composing the Fire Department.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, That from Item 6, of an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Fire Department for the year 1858, approved January 2, 1858, there shall be appropriated to each of the following named companies, to wit :

To the America Engine, America Hose, Assistance Engine, Columbia Engine, Cohocksink Hose, Diligent Hose, Delaware Engine, Diligent Engine, Fairmount Engine, Fairmount Hose, Franklin Engine, Franklin Hose, Friendship Engine, Good Will Engine, Good Will Hose, Good Intent Engine, Good Intent Hose, Globe Engine, Hand-in-Hand Engine, Humane Hose, Hibernia Engine, Hope En-

gine, Humane Engine, Independence Engine, Independence Hose, Kensington Hose, La Fayette Hose, Marion Hose, Mechanic Engine, Northern Liberty Engine, Northern Liberty Hose, Neptune Hose, Niagara Hose, Philadelphia Engine, Pennsylvania Hose, Perseverance Hose, Phoenix Hose, Reliance Engine, Robert Morris Hose, Ringgold Hose, Southwark Engine, Schuylkill Hose, Spring Garden Engine, Shiffler Hose, South Penn Hose, Southwark Hose, Spring Garden Hose, Taylor Hose, United States Hose, United States Engine, United Hose, Vigilant Engine, Vigilant Hose, Washington Engine, Warren Hose, Washington Hose, Western Hose, Weccacoe Engine, Western Engine, and William Penn Hose, each the sum of four hundred dollars, being the amount of their appropriations for the year, ending July, 1858.

To the Decatur Engine, Franklin Engine of Frankford, Monroe Engine, Washington Engine of Frankford, and West Philadelphia Engine, each the sum of three hundred dollars, being the amount of their appropriation for the year, ending July, 1858.

To the Columbia Engine of Germantown, Franklin Engine of Germantown, Fellowship Engine, Good Intent Engine of Roxborough, Germantown Hose, Liberty Engine, Manayunk Engine, Nicetown Hose, Union Engine, Union Hose, Washington of Germantown, West Philadelphia Hose, Columbia Hose, and Tivoli Hose, each the sum of two hundred dollars, being the amount of their appropriation, due July 1, 1858.

To the Moyamensing Hose Company, the sum of three hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-six cents, being the amount of their appropriation for ten months, due July 1, 1858.

To the Mount Airy Engine, one hundred dollars, and to the Wissahickon Engine, fifty dollars, and to the Fame Hose, one hundred and fifty dollars, respectively, being the amount of their appropriations for the year, ending July 1, 1858.

To the Empire Hook and Ladder Company, the sum of three hundred dollars, to the Protection Hook and Ladder, the sum of two hundred dollars, to the Rescue, Excelsior,

and Mantua Hook and Ladder Companies, each, the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, being the amount of their appropriation for the year, ending July 1, 1858.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the said appropriations, shall be drawn by the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, in the manner and form, and with the regulations prescribed in existing ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 83.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, beg leave to report that they have examined the applications from the Steam Fire Engines Philadelphia and Hope, asking Councils to make an appropriation for the care and management of said engines. The Committee, after examining the facts of this case, respectfully report the following ordinance.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
A. MCINTYRE,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
O. P. CORNMAN.
WM. BRADFORD,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
P. B. MINGLE,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
RICHARD V. BRENAN.

August 19, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Providing for the Care and Management of the Steam Fire Engines Philadelphia and Hope.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sum of two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100 00), be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the use of the Steam Fire Engine Philadelphia, for the year 1858. And the further sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), for the use of the Steam Fire Engine Hope, for the year 1858.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department have power to draw Warrants on the City Treasurer, to meet the expenses attending the said Engines. Provided, he does not exceed the amount appropriated.

APPENDIX No. 84.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia,*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the application of the City Commissioners, for an additional appropriation to pay jurors, &c., respectfully report the annexed resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
WM. NEAL,
O. THOMPSON,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.
EDW. S. HANDY.

August 26, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Transferring an Item in the Appropriation to the City Commissioners.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sum of twelve hundred and thirty dollars, be transferred from Item No. 14 in the appropriation to the City Commissioners, to the payment of jurors for the special term of the Court of Quarter Sessions.

APPENDIX No. 85.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a resolution, offered in Select Council, to release the sureties of R. L. West, Esq., late Superintendent of City Railroads, having received the certificates of the Controller, certifying that his accounts are properly closed—

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
WM. NEAL,
O. THOMPSON,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
EDW. S. HANDY.

August 26, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

To release the sureties of R. L. West.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the

City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby authorized to release the sureties of R. L. West, late Superintendent of City Railroads.

APPENDIX No. 86.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a resolution from Select Council, to take into consideration the creation of “a Trust,” to be called the “Cresson Trust,” respectfully report the annexed ordinance and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
ROBERT KELTON,
GEORGE W. SIMONS,
O. THOMPSON,
WILLIAM NEAL,
JOS. S. RILEY, Jr.,
EDW. S. HANDY.

August 26, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the application of the legacy of Elliott Cresson, Esq., to the City of Philadelphia.

Whereas, Elliott Cresson, by his last will and testament, did give and bequeath as follows: “I give and bequeath to the Mayor and Councils of Philadelphia, the sum of \$5,000 in trust as a perpetual fund, the income from which I desire shall be annually forever expended in planting and renewing shade trees, especially in situations now exposing my fellow-citizens to the heat of the sun, desiring that due care be taken to select the best varieties of fine trees, and excluding such foreign trash as the Lombardy

Poplar, Alianthus, Paper Mulberry, and similar exotics." Now, therefore,

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, That the income of said legacy shall be placed in charge of the Superintendent of Trusts, and he is hereby directed to apply the same according to the directions of the testator, subject to the approval of the Committee on Trusts and Fire Department.

SEC. 2. That Warrants for the payment of moneys, for purposes connected with the execution of this trust, shall be drawn in conformity with existing ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 87.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways most respectfully present the following communications, and accompanying Ordinance and Resolution, and respectfully ask that the Ordinance and Resolution be adopted.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
D. C. ENOS,
JOHN M. FORD,
WILLIAM BRADFORD,
STEPHEN BENTON,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
ALEX. L. HODGDON.

COMMUNICATION

From the Chief Commissioner of Highways.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In consequence of the imperfect construction of Girard Avenue Bridge, and the danger of its falling unless immediate action be taken to remedy the defects, my predecessor, under the direction and by the advice of Strickland Kneass, Esq., Chief Engineer, commenced the repairs thereof forthwith, as the exigencies of the case demanded, and they have been continued up to the present time, and it is actually necessary that they should be completed at as early a date as possible. But, the appropriation for Repairs to Bridges being exhausted, as well as the appropriation for Wing Walls to the above Bridge, it is requisite that the Ordinance and Resolution that will be presented by the Committee on Highways be passed this day, or I shall be compelled to suspend all operations immediately, in which event the City will suffer a loss of many thousands of dollars. And as the season for storms is now approaching, and unless the work is pressed vigorously forward, there is danger even now of serious loss to the taxpayers of the City. And in conclusion, most respectfully submit the above, with the communication annexed of Strickland Kneass, Esq., Chief Engineer; to all of which I most earnestly request your prompt action.

Yours,

C. B. ANDRESS,
Chief Commissioner of Highways.
Philadelphia, August 26th, 1858.

COMMUNICATION

From Strickland Kneass, Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYS, }
Philadelphia, August 26th, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia,*

GENTLEMEN:—Being advised that the appropriation of the Department of Highways—from which payment has

been made for the work being prosecuted at Girard Avenue Bridge—is now exhausted, I feel called upon to advise your Chambers, that, should the work be suspended in its present position, heavy loss to the city will be sustained. And to explain to such members as may not be familiar with that locality, I will state that the Girard Avenue Bridge was built prior to Consolidation; and for some months—in fact, more than a year—it stood entirely useless, except for foot passengers, who could climb the approach on the east. On the 3d of November, 1856, resolutions were passed directing retaining walls to be built at the east and west approaches, so as to permit the embankment necessary to be filled in. The eastern side was completed during the fall of 1857. The western side is now under way. The wall on the south side of the western abutment is nearly completed, and an amount of masonry is now placed on the north side, that was presumed would be sufficient in the approximate estimate originally submitted; but we found, upon preparing its foundation, that the material was so unfitted for such a weight of stonework, as to compel us to extend the depth of our excavation beyond what we had anticipated, even to a depth of *eight feet below the foundation of the old wing wall of bridge*, which then stood some fifteen inches out of plumb. This excavation was performed by the Department of Highways, and required to be conducted with great care, and at the constant and imminent peril of the laborers employed, not only from the fear that the old wing would fall, but from the slipping of the embankment, which is fifty-seven feet high, sloped at the least angle the material will permit. Under these circumstances, the Committee on Highways concurred with me in the opinion that a portion of the old wall should come down, as a saving of greater expenditure hereafter. This has been done, and the work is now being conducted by the contractor of the retaining wall originally designed—under recent arrangements made by the Department of Highways—and should we now be compelled to suspend the work, the embankment will slip the first rain, fill up the foundation now nearly ready for the stone, and place the material in such position as will make it not only costly to excavate for the foundation, which must go in, but also to replace it in the position it *now* occupies. Such is the present con-

dition of the Western abutment; and I can but hope that a further appropriation may be made as asked for by the Committee on Highways, so that the work may be prosecuted with vigor and brought to early completion.

My first *approximate* estimate for the two walls on the Western side, was 2,800 perches.

There will be, owing to the increased height of wall, and the consequent enlarging of proportions, 3300 perches.

The last estimate sent in reads thus:—

2850 perches masonry, at \$2.80 per perch,	\$7,980 00
Materials delivered, - - - -	- 600 00
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	8,580 00
Payments, - - - -	- 5,900 00
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Amount retained in hand, - - -	- 2,680 00
450 perches yet to do on original contract at	
\$2.80, - - - -	1,260 00
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	3,940 00
Deduct advance on materials delivered, -	- 600 00
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Deficit to pay for contract work, -	- 3,340 00

The amount of masonry that will be required to rebuild the wing, *approximately*, is:—

1,200 perches, at \$2.80 per perch,	\$3,360 00
Old stone to credit of City, - -	- 350 00
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Deficit on bridge repairs of masonry, -	3,010 00
Taking down old wall, - - -	- 300 00
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	3,310 00
Giving a deficit on contract, - -	- 3,340 00
“ “ repairs, - - -	- 3,010 00
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	6,350 00
For taking down old wall, - -	- 300 00
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	6,650 00

This is exclusively for the masonry. The work yet to do in excavation and refilling, it is difficult to estimate, as pumping will be required; but I suppose that if all works favorably, it can be done for \$750 00,—making an amount of at least \$7,400 00 requisite for immediate use.

The work on the Bridge superstructure, that which is now being conducted by Mr. Murphy, (an experienced bridge builder,) is necessary for the safe use of the Bridge. I had repeatedly called the attention of the Department of Highways to the condition of that structure, even early in 1857, and protested against its being thrown open to public travel in its then unsafe condition. The arches, instead of sustaining the weight of the trusses, were but weights hanging upon them, bearing them down, as they were much out of line; the main braces at and near the shore pannels were bent, threatening destruction to the entire bridge at any moment; for had they yielded, the superstructure must fall. No notice was taken of my communications, until the arches on the eastern span *actually broke off* between the skew-back and lower chord, when energetic measures were at once taken to secure the structure and render it fit for use. To do this, we are *increasing the area of the arches, stiffening the main braces* where evidence of weakness was seen, placing in proper suspension rods, and straightening the entire bridge in line both horizontal and vertical. This is now in charge of Mr. Murphy, who is using all care and energy. One span is completed, and the other partially so.

It is very difficult to estimate the cost of such work, but we suppose that the new timber, iron and labor will cost near \$1,200 00, exclusive of the planking, which must be renewed before travel is thrown upon it, and will cost about \$2,500 00. We thus have a total required:—

Masonry, under contract,	-	\$3,340 00
“ for repairs, -	-	- 4,060 00
Bridge superstructure, repairs,		14,500 00
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		\$21,900 00

Respectfully submitted,

STRICKLAND KNEASS,
Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Twenty-two Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City, for the Building of Wing Walls to Girard Avenue Bridge, and the repairs to Bridge.

A RESOLUTION

To change an Item of an Appropriation.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the sum of Four Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby changed from Item 2, to Item 1, of an appropriation made to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City, January 18th, 1858.

APPENDIX No. 88.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PORT WARDENS, PUBLIC WHARVES, AND LANDINGS.

*To the Select and Common Councils,
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Port Wardens, Public Wharves, and Landings, to whom was referred the petition of J. B. Lancaster, lessee of Spruce Street Wharf, asking that the dock at the foot of said street be cleaned, respectfully report that they have examined the condition of said

dock, and would recommend the cleaning of the same, and offer the following resolution and ask its adoption.

BENJ. H. BROWN, *Chairman*,
O. THOMPSON,
WM. M. BAIRD,
A. B. COOLEY,
A. MCINTYRE,
HENRY DAVIS,
GEO. B. MILLER.

Aug. 26th, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Cleansing of Spruce Street Dock on the Delaware.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Commissioner of Markets be, and he is hereby authorized to have that portion of the dock at the foot of Spruce Street on the Delaware, belonging to the city, cleaned at a cost not exceeding two hundred dollars, to be done under the supervision of the Committee on Port Wardens, Public Wharves, and Landings.

APPENDIX No. 89.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department report, That an appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars was made Dec. 31st, 1857, to the Superintendent of Trusts, for the purpose of paying for the surveying of the “Boudinot Lands.” These lands are situated in Centre County, Pa., and contain about thirteen thousand acres,

which were devised to the City in trust. The rents, issues, and profits, to be applied by the corporation for the beginning of a fund, or in aid of any fund, for the supply of fuel to the poor inhabitants of the City of Philadelphia and Liberties. The said trust was formally accepted by the Corporation on the 22d day of January, 1822, by which acceptance they devolved upon their successors a faithful and sacred discharge of the trust so generously confided by Mr. Boudinot, and voluntarily assumed by the City.

These lands, as it appears by the statement made, have been held by the City for a period of thirty-six years, and so far as your Committee can ascertain, not a dollar has as yet been derived from them, and the objects of the donor's kind regards, have not received any part of the legacy made and intended for their benefit. A state of things like this, should not, in the judgment of the Committee, be suffered to continue, if there be a possibility of preventing it, and every step should be taken to render these lands productive, and accomplish and carry out the benevolent intentions contemplated and intended by the donor.

The time has now arrived, as your Committee believes, when an effort should be made to ascertain the value and availableness of these lands, but as nothing can be effectively done until a survey is had and plan furnished, your Committee submit the annexed resolution and ask its adoption.

WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM, *Chairman*,
A. MCINTYRE,
P. B. MINGLE,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
O. P. CORNMAN,
WM. BRADFORD,
NICHOLAS WALSH.

Aug. 26, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Survey of the Boudinot Lands.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Superintendent of Trust be,

and he is hereby authorized and directed to employ a competent Surveyor, who shall survey and furnish a plan of the "Boudinot Lands," in Centre County, and to pay the taxes now due, and also the expenses of visiting said lands, provided the whole cost shall not exceed eight hundred dollars, the same to be paid out of the appropriation made December 31st, 1857.

APPENDIX No. 90.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the claim of Edward S. Charnley for the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, for services rendered in correcting the Assessors books in 1856; also the claim of Charles Jewell, assignee of Jacob T. Hoffman, for the sum of three hundred dollars, for services rendered in 1856 in correcting the Assessment Books of six Wards, for the year 1857; also the claim of James Murray for the sum of three hundred dollars, for correcting the Assessment Books of six other Wards, for the year 1857; also the claim of E. Jared Megonegal for the sum of two hundred and eleven dollars, for indexing the Assessment Books of the Seventeenth and Nineteenth Wards, for the year 1856; also the claim of Field and Francis for the sum of fourteen dollars, for work done upon the Supreme Court Room, and Register of Wills Office, respectfully report, that the persons above named severally appeared before your Committee, with bills signed and approved by the City Commissioners,

for the amounts claimed as aforesaid. Your Committee therefore report an Ordinance in favor of the payment of the above claims, and ask its adoption.

W. L. DENNIS, *Chairman*,
WM. NEAL,
A. MCINTYRE,
D. C. ENOS,
JOHN BOWKER,
CHARLES ENYARD,
ABR'M. NIPPES,
O. P. CORNMAN.

Aug. 26th, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation to the City Commissioners, for the purposes therein mentioned.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the following claims against the City of Philadelphia, as follows:

1. To pay Edward S. Charnley, for services rendered the City Commissioners' Department, in 1856, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

2. To pay Charles Jewell, assignee of Jacob T. Hoffman, for services rendered the City Commissioners' Department, in 1856, the sum of three hundred dollars.

3. To pay James Murray for services rendered the City Commissioners' Department, in 1856, three hundred dollars.

4. To pay E. Jared Megonegal, for services rendered the City Commissioners' Department, in 1856, two hundred and eleven dollars.

5. To pay Field & Francis, for repairs upon the Supreme Court Room and Register of Wills office, fourteen dollars.

SEC. 2. That Warrants for the said appropriation, shall be drawn by the City Commissioners, in conformity with existing ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 91.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways have directed me to present the following Preamble and Resolution, and ask its adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
JOHN M. FORD,
D. C. ENOS,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED DAY,
THOMAS POTTER.

Sept. 2, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Chief Commissioner of Highways to cancel certain Contracts.

Whereas, there are various Contracts in existence made prior to the act of Consolidation, which it is the interest of the City to have cancelled, and as it is unnecessary to have said work done at present, and whereas, Lewis Smith, one of the said contractors, is willing to cancel the contract now held by him for the sum of eleven hundred and fourteen dollars and eight cents, the balance due him as per estimate of the District Surveyor. Therefore be it

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be directed to draw a warrant for the said Lewis Smith, for the sum of eleven hundred and fourteen dollars and eight cents, out of Item 14, of appropriation to the

Highway Department, Ordinance, January 18, 1858, whenever the said Lewis Smith signs an agreement drawn by the City Solicitor, releasing the City from all contracts and claims that he now has ; and that the Chief Commissioner of Highways, under the direction of the Committee on Highways, is hereby authorized to cancel any other of such contracts, providing the same can be done on equitable terms.

APPENDIX No. 92.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the petition of the Congress Fire Company, Twenty-second Ward, asking to be admitted into the Fire Department, respectfully report the accompanying Resolution, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*.
P. B. MINGLE,
A. MCINTYRE,
O. P. CORNMAN,
WM. J. GILLINGHAM,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
N. WALSH.

Sept. 2, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Admitting the Congress Fire Company into the Fire Department.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the services of the Congress Fire Company be accepted, and that they be admitted into the Fire Department.

APPENDIX No. 93.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a resolution from Select Council, to inquire into the propriety of preparing an ordinance, that shall provide for the election of a person qualified to act as an examiner into all the warrants drawn since the act of consolidation, &c., respectfully report, that they have carefully examined the subject, and whilst they are of opinion that a thorough examination of all the points suggested should be made, they deem it inexpedient to create a new officer for that purpose, as it would have a tendency to embarrass the Department of the City Controller; and they are of opinion that it should be done by the clerks of that Department, at times when the regular stated duties will permit; the Committee believe that this examination could be made at much less cost and in a more satisfactory manner, than by the appointment of a new officer. They offer the following Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 WM. NEAL,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 O. THOMPSON,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
 EDW. S. HANDY.

Sept. 9, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Relative to the examination of certain Warrants drawn upon the City Treasurer.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of the City Controller be requested (under the supervision of the Committee on Finance) to make a thorough examination into all the warrants issued since consolidation, with a view to ascertain what warrants (if any) have been twice paid, and to detect any inaccuracies that may have occurred in the various Departments of the City; the work to be done at such times as will not conflict with the regular and stated duties of the office.

APPENDIX No. 94.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a resolution to release the sureties of Eugene Ahern, respectfully report the annexed Resolution.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
ROBERT KELTON,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
EDW. S. HANDY,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,
THOMAS POTTER,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
O. THOMPSON,
WM. NEAL.

Sept. 9, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Releasing the Sureties of Eugene Ahern.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the City Solicitor be instructed to enter satisfaction on the Bonds of the Sureties of Eugene Ahern, late Commissioner of City Property.

APPENDIX No. 95.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GAS WORKS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Gas Works, to whom was referred petitions, numerously signed by citizens of the Tenth, Fourteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-second Wards, asking Councils to make an appropriation to the Trustees of the Gas Works, to enable them to lay main-pipes and furnish service-pipes and meters, beg leave to report, that after due consideration, they believe it would be proper for Councils to make provision for the wants of the petitioners, and in order to enable the Trustees to accomplish that object, respectfully recommend to Councils for their adoption, the following supplementary Ordinance.

WM. CONRAD, *Chairman*,
WM. ROTCH WISTER,
A. B. COOLEY,
JOHN KRIDER,
WM. BRADFORD,
STEPHEN BENTON,
GEORGE READ.

Sept. 9, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Supplementary to an Ordinance, approved May 10, 1858, for the further extension of the Gas Works.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that so much of Section 3, of the Ordinance, to which this is a Supplement, as is contained in the proviso limiting the price of gas in certain portions of the City of Philadelphia, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

APPENDIX No. 96.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Highways respectfully submit the following Resolutions, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
STEPHEN BENTON,
WILLIAM BRADFORD,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
THOMAS POTTER,
ALEX. L. HODGDON,
ALFRED DAY.

September 9, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Authorizing the Repaving of certain Streets with Tramway, and for other purposes.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to repave the following streets; said repaving to be done with Tramway stone in

the track of the wheels; and if the cartways are wider than is necessary for a single track, the Commissioner is authorized to reduce the width thereof, so that an equal quantity be taken from each side.

Viz: Liberty Court west of Ninth Street, and north of Market, in the Ninth Ward.

Clymer Street from Sixth Street to Adams Street, in the Third Ward.

Howard Street between Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets south of Market Street, Ninth Ward.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Paving of certain Streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Highways is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver or pavers for the paving of the following streets, viz: Fifth Street between Chatham and Diamond Streets in the Nineteenth Ward, and Twenty-second Street from Vine to Callowhill Streets in the Fifteenth Ward. The conditions of which contracts shall be, that the contractors will collect the cost and expenses of said paving from the owners of property fronting on said streets, and that the City shall be liable only for the intersections; also that the contractors shall enter into an obligation to the City to keep the said streets in repairs for two years after the paving is finished; and that the water pipes be laid in said streets before the paving is commenced, and the Highway Department is hereby authorized to do the grading in said streets necessary to be done therein preparatory to the paving thereof.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Paving of Locust Street.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to repave Locust Street from Seventeenth to Eighteenth Streets in the Eighth Ward.

APPENDIX No. 97.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS.

*To the President and Members of the Common
Council of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the Resolution passed by Common Council at their meeting, August 12, 1858, which is as follows:

Resolved, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be instructed to enquire into, and ascertain by what right or pretence the City Passenger Railway Companies claim to be owners of the paving stones and cubical blocks displaced from the streets in the laying of the track of their respective roads; and also by what authority the Tenth and Eleventh Street Passenger Railway Companies have laid their track upon the footways in the Twentieth Ward.

I beg leave to submit the following answers which I have received to notes, written to the parties referred to in the Resolution.

Very respectfully, yours,

C. B. ADDRESS,

Sept. 9, 1858.

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

OFFICE OF THE FRANKFORD AND SOUTHWARK }
PASSENGER R. R., COMPANY. }
Philadelphia, August 19, 1858. }

C. B. ADDRESS, ESQ.,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

SIR:—I am directed to inform you, in reply to your communication of yesterday asking “by what authority this Company claims the cubical blocks, pebble stones, &c., displaced by their road on the streets through which it passes,” That this Company have used all the pebble stones alluded to, in repairing the streets occupied by them, and that

they never had in their possession any of the cubical blocks belonging to the city.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

CHARLES R. ABBOTT,

Secretary.

—

OFFICE FAIRMOUNT RAILWAY COMPANY. }
Philadelphia, August 19, 1858. }

C. B. ADDRESS, ESQ.,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

DEAR SIR:—Yours of the 18th inst., quoting a Resolution of Councils, “asking by what authority this company claims the cubical blocks, pebble stones, &c., displaced by this road on the street through which it passes,” has been received, and in reply beg leave to state, that this company have had no cubical blocks removed, and that the cobble stone, which has been replaced by an iron surface laid by this company, is being used for the line of Twenty-second Street, heretofore not paved, and is thus appropriated for the benefit of the city.

Very respectfully,

ROBT. F. TAYLOR,

President.

—

OFFICE OF THE CITIZENS' PASSENGER RAILWAY CO. }
Philadelphia, August 23rd, 1858. }

C. B. ADDRESS, ESQ.,

Chief Commissioner of Highways.

SIR:—In answer to your communication inquiring “by what authority your company claims the cubical blocks, pebble stones, &c., displaced by your road on the streets through which it passes,” I have to say, 1. That the Citizens' Passenger Railway Company did not displace any cubical blocks. 2. That the pebble stones displaced are claimed because the space occupied by them has been filled with iron ;

and for the additional reason that they will be used by the Company in repairing the streets.

The following copies of permits from the Department of Highways, I hope will be regarded as a sufficient answer to the second inquiry in the same communication.

“DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, }
Philadelphia, July 7, 1858. }

“The Citizens’ Passenger Railway Company of Philadelphia have been permitted to cross the curb and footways with the track of their road on the north side of Columbia Avenue at or near Tenth Street, and on the north side of Columbia Avenue, at or near Eleventh Street; it being understood that whenever the said track is removed, the curb and footwalks shall be restored to its present condition at the expense of the Company.

J. MCCARTHY,
Chief Commissioner of Highways.”

“DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, }
Philadelphia, July 7, 1858. }

“The Citizens’ Passenger Railway Company of Philadelphia have permission to cross the curb and footwalk on Tenth Street north of Montgomery Street, and on Montgomery Street west of Tenth Street, with the tracks of their road, to enable them to enter into and depart from their depot; it being understood that should the said tracks be removed, they will place the curbstone and footwalk in good condition at the expense of the Company.

J. MCCARTHY,
Chief Commissioner of Highways.”

I also acknowledge the receipt of another communication from the Department of Highways, calling attention to the fact “that the pebble pavement in some places is from two to six inches above the grade of the streets.”

The rails on our road are laid according to heights furnished by the City Surveyors, and when they are above the level of the old pavement, it is owing to the settling of the

street since the old pavement was put down. This occurs only in a few places, and will be remedied in a short time. The other matter, in relation to the condition of Tenth Street above Jefferson Street, has been attended to.

Very respectfully,

GEO. WILLIAMS,

President, Citizens' P. R. R. Co.

APPENDIX No. 98.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POLICE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Police do hereby report the following Ordinance, and recommend its adoption.

CHARLES THOMSON JONES, *Chairman*,
O. P. CORNMAN,
WM. BRADFORD,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
JOHN THOMPSON,
JOHN J. KERSEY.

Sept. 9, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Offering a Reward of Five Hundred Dollars for the apprehension and conviction of the Murderer or Murderers of John E. Clark.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Mayor be, and is hereby authorized to offer a reward for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer or murderers of John E. Clark.

SEC. 2. That the sum of five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the above purpose.

SEC. 3. That warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Mayor, in conformity with existing ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 99.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department beg leave to make the following statement in reference to the Boudinot Lands, and offer the accompanying Ordinance, and ask its speedy adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*,
A. MCINTYRE,
P. B. MINGLE,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
O. P. CORNMAN,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
NICHOLAS WALSH.

Sept. 9, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation to the Superintendent of Trusts, to pay Taxes, and make a Survey of the Boudinot Lands and Expenses.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of eight hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Superintendent of Trusts for the following purposes, viz :

For a Survey of the Boudinot Lands, three hundred dollars.

For expenses in ejection of tenants or squatters on said lands, two hundred dollars, as per ordinance, December 5, 1856.

For taxes, now due, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For expenses of agent, and visiting lands, one hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the payment of said appropriation shall be drawn by the Superintendent of Trusts.

APPENDIX No. 100.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department would respectfully report, that they have had under consideration, numerous applications for the removal of sundry Telegraph Boxes, and for the introduction of the Telegraph Apparatus in the houses of the Diligent Engine and Hope Hose Companies, and for the extension of the Telegraph on Germantown Road, from Franklin Avenue to Diamond Street.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman.*
W. W. SMEDLEY,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
A. MCINTYRE,
O. P. CORNMAN,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
WM. BRADFORD,
P. B. MINGLE,
G. W. SCHOFIELD.

Sept. 9, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an Appropriation to defray expenses in the removing of certain Telegraph Boxes.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of two thousand three hundred and fifty-five dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the following purposes :

To place a signal box in the Hope Hose House, the sum of four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

To place a signal box in the Diligent Engine House, the sum of four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

To remove box No. 17, from Twentieth and Lombard Streets, to Twentieth Street near the Western Hose House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove box No. 62, from Frankford Road and Maiden street, to Allen Street and Frankford Road, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove box No. 51, from Fourth and York Avenue, to the pavement in front of the United States Engine House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove box No. 56, from Broad and Race Street, to the Good Will Engine House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove box No. 63, from Frankford Road and Franklin Avenue, to the William Penn Hose House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To construct the Fire Telegraph out Germantown Road to Norris Street, and two boxes at intermediate points north of Franklin Avenue, to be designated by the Committee, the sum of one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Superintendent of Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph, and shall be of such form and have the requirements as is provided by an Ordinance approved August 23, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the issue of certificates of City Loan, to pay road damages and to pay the contract price of the Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph."

APPENDIX No. 101.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PORT WARDENS, PUBLIC WHARVES, AND LANDINGS.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Port Wardens, Public Wharves, and Landings, to whom was referred the communication from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, relative to the leasing of Dock Street Wharf, and making certain improvements thereon, respectfully report, that after a careful examination of the subject matter contained in the petition, they believe that the interests of the city will be greatly promoted by granting the prayer of the petitioners.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company now occupy Dock Street Wharf for the transaction of their eastern transfer business, which amounts at the present time to upwards of sixty thousand tons annually, and is rapidly increasing. The whole of this immense tonnage passes over the City Railroad, and the toll received is paid into the City Treasury.

To accommodate this large and growing trade, more room is absolutely required, and the Company propose at their own expense to make such improvements as will be necessary for that purpose; they now occupy the wharf merely as sub-tenants, and are thereby liable to all the inconveniences and extortions, that may be imposed upon them. To avoid these evils, and to secure to them the benefits that will be derived from the improvements contemplated, your Committee have unanimously agreed to present the annexed Ordinance, and respectfully ask its adoption.

BENJ. H. BROWN, *Chairman*,
O. THOMPSON,
WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
JAMES HOUST,
GEORGE B. MILLER,
HENRY DAVIS,
A. MCINTYRE,
JOHN M. FORD,
PATRICK MCBRIDE,

September 9, 1858. A. B. COOLEY.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Commissioner of Markets to lease Dock Street Wharf to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the Commissioner of Markets is hereby authorized to let Dock Street Wharf to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, for the term of five years from the first day of January A. D., 1859, at an annual rent of four thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, after they have taken possession of Dock Street Wharf under the lease authorized by Section 1 of this ordinance, shall have authority to make at their own expense such improvements as may be necessary and proper, to enable said company to transact their usual business. *Provided*, that the City of Philadelphia shall not be made liable therefor, at the expiration of said lease, and *Provided* further that said Company shall remove all such improvements if required by the Councils of the City of Philadelphia.

 APPENDIX No. 102.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CLAIM OF GEORGE R. WENTZ, FOR DAMAGES.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Select Committee, to whom was referred the claim of George R. Wentz, for damages sustained by him, through the explosion of gas, which had escaped from a leak in the main pipe at the crossing of Eleventh and Poplar Streets, on, or about, the 17th of March last, respectfully report, that they have carefully examined the claim, and have heard a number of witnesses, produced by the claimant, as well as the Chief Engineer of the City

Gas Works, and respectfully submit the annexed Resolution, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN KRIDER, *Chairman*,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
JOS. MANUEL, JR.,
THOS. W. STEELLING.

Sept. 9, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Recommending a payment to George R. Wentz, by the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Trustees of the City Gas Works, to pay to George R. Wentz, the sum of eight hundred dollars, provided he will execute a release of all claims upon them and the City, for the injuries and damage sustained by him by the explosion of gas, leaking from the gas main at Eleventh and Poplar Streets, on, or about the 17th day of March, 1858.

APPENDIX No. 103.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication from the Receiver of Taxes,

asking for authority to appoint a number of permanent clerks in his department, having given the matter a careful investigation, respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
WM. NEAL,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
ROBERT KELTON,
THOMAS POTTER.

Sept. 16, 1858.

A SUPPLEMENT TO AN ORDINANCE,

Entitled, "An Ordinance prescribing the powers and duties of the Receiver of Taxes," approved July 27, 1854.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that from and after the passage of this Ordinance, the Receiver of Taxes be, and is hereby authorized to appoint eight additional permanent clerks, the said clerks to be removable at the pleasure of the said Receiver. The salaries of the said clerks shall be the same amount per annum, payable monthly, as now provided by Ordinance, to wit: Eight hundred and fifty dollars.

APPENDIX No. 104.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the Petition of the Board of

Managers of the Pennsylvania Hospital, relative to the arrangement of grades around their new building devoted to the insane, have examined the application, and believe it to be the duty of the City, as well as its advantage, to have their grade lines fixed, and particularly on ground that is on the verge of the built limits.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
 MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
 N. NATHANS,
 HENRY DAVIS,
 WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
 ROBERT LUTHER,
 SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
 G. W. SCHOFIELD,
 WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
 O. H. P. PARKER.

Sept. 15, 1858.

RESOLUTION,

Relative to grading around the Pennsylvania Hospital in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Resolved, That the Department of Surveys be and is hereby authorized and directed to arrange the regulation of the curb-heights and grades upon so much of the Twenty-fourth Ward as is embraced within the limits of the Fifth Section of the Survey of the late Township of Blockley. And also, that Forty-ninth Street be extended from Market Street to the Haverford Road, one hundred feet in width along the western line of the property owned by the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane.

Provided, That the said Pennsylvania Hospital dedicate to the public use of the City of Philadelphia, for said street, a strip of ground fifty feet in width along said western front from Market Street to Haverford Road.

APPENDIX No. 105.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, at a meeting held by them on the 11th ult., were directed to present the following Preamble and Resolution.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
N. NATHANS,
HENRY DAVIS,
ROBERT LUTHER,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
O. H. P. PARKER.

Sept. 16, 1858.

RESOLUTION,

To draw a warrant in favor of George Sturges.

Whereas, The Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Surveys and Regulations, at the preparation of the appropriation bills for the year 1858, being fully advised of the amount of extra work performed for the Committee, &c., since May, 1855, by George Sturges, Recording Clerk of the Department of Surveys, and that the salary of said officer is far below a remuneration for the duties and qualifications necessary for that position, did add a sum of two

hundred dollars to Item No. 1 of the Ordinance making an appropriation for the year 1858, to pay for said duties. Therefore,

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn chargeable to Item No. 1 of an Ordinance making an appropriation to the Department of Surveys for the year 1858, in favor of Geo. Sturges, for two hundred dollars, to be drawn in the usual form and manner prescribed by law.

APPENDIX No. 106.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MARKETS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Markets, to whom was referred the petitions of numerous citizens of New Jersey, asking for a repeal of an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to regulate the sale of Fruits and Vegetables,” approved Nov. 17, 1857, having given the subject a careful consideration, respectfully report the accompanying Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

JACOB S. FISH, *Chairman*,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
ADAM S. UBER,
GEORGE READ,
A. MCINTYRE,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
OSBORN CONRAD,
CALEB S. WRIGHT.

Sept. 16, 1858.

A SUPPLEMENT TO AN ORDINANCE,

To regulate the sale of Fruits and Vegetables, approved Nov. 17, 1857.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that every basket, box, tub, or other article used for the sale of fruits, vegetables, or berries, that require measurement, within the City limits, whether in market-houses, stores, streets, or elsewhere, shall have the fractional part or parts of a bushel which said basket, box, or other article will contain when even full, labelled, stamped, or marked thereon, outside, in plain characters of at least one inch in size.

SECTION 2. After the passage of this Ordinance, the several clerks of the markets are hereby authorized and instructed to test the correctness of such labels, stamps or marks as often as they may judge proper, by measuring the contents of any basket, box, tub, bucket, or any other article, by sealed measures of this City; and if any clerk should find any basket or other article which will not contain the quantity represented by the figures or characters marked thereon, or if he should find any basket or other article without such marks: in either case, such basket, box, tub, or other article, with its contents, shall be forfeited, one-third to the clerk; and the other two-thirds, with the basket, box, or tub, shall be delivered by the clerk to the Guardians of the Poor.

SECTION 3. Whenever any potatoes shall be sold within said limits, by the bushel or its divisions, and any controversy shall arise between the parties as to the accuracy or truth of the measurement, or if any dispute should arise between the clerk and any party whilst testing the correctness of the stamps or marks, as to the proper heaping of the measure, the question shall be decided by weight, allowing sixty pounds of white potatoes to the bushel, and fifty pounds of sweet potatoes, and in the same proportion for any of the divisions of the bushel.

SECTION 4. If any person shall complain to any Alderman of this City, of any one using baskets or other articles for the sale of fruits, vegetables, or berries, without labels or marks as required by Section 1st of this Ordinance, in any other place than the market houses or market stands, said Alderman shall proceed to examine the same; and if

he find that the provisions of this Ordinance are violated by any such person, or by any person, he shall, in like manner as the clerk of the market, seize such unstamped basket, box, or other article, with its contents, one-third of which shall be the property of said Alderman; and the remaining two-thirds, together with the basket, box, or tub, shall be delivered by the said Alderman to the Guardians of the Poor, for the use of the poor.

SECTION 5. The sum of two hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to the Department of Market Houses, to be drawn for by the Commissioner in the usual way, for the purpose of supplying the clerks of the markets, and the Aldermen, with the necessary sealed measures for the proper fulfillment of this Ordinance; which measures shall be the property of the City, and be deposited with the Aldermen whose offices are the nearest to the market houses where they are to be used.

SECTION 6. Immediately after the passage and approval of this Ordinance, the Commissioner of Market Houses shall have five hundred copies thereof printed in hand-bill form, and posted up in the market houses at such places as will give the best notice thereof, and said Ordinance shall go into effect in two weeks from the date of its approval.

SECTION 7. Such parts of the Ordinance to which this is a Supplement, as are inconsistent with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed.

APPENDIX No. 167.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MARKETS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Markets, to whom was referred the petitions of numerous citizens for a market stand for vehicles on Broad Street, south of Brown Street,

respectfully report the annexed Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

Respectfully,

JACOB S. FISH, *Chairman*,
 GEORGE READ,
 ADAM S. UBER,
 A. McINTYRE,
 S. SNYDER LEIDY,
 OSBORN CONRAD,
 WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
 JOHN H. BRINGHURST,
 CALEB S. WRIGHT.

Sept. 16, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Declaring Broad Street, from Brown to Callowhill Streets, a Stand for Market Wagons.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that from and after the passage of this Ordinance, the east side of Broad Street, from the north side of Callowhill Street to the south side of Brown Street, and from the south side of Market Street to the north side of Shippen Street, shall be and are hereby appropriated as stands for farmers, for the sale of the produce of their respective farms and gardens, the vehicles to be placed in a single row with their backs to the curb, keeping at the distance of three feet from the lines of any cross street, lane, or public alley, under a penalty of one dollar for every offence; and also clear from any passage or crossing place laid with flag or other stones for that purpose, under a like penalty of one dollar for every offence.

SECTION 2. That it shall not be lawful for any farmer or gardener occupying or using any of the aforesaid streets as market stands, to occupy more than four feet in width of the footway or pavement where his or her vehicle may be placed, measuring from the outside of the curb-stone, under a penalty of fifty cents for each and every offence.

SECTION 3. That all fines and penalties incurred under this Ordinance shall be recoverable, one-half to the person prosecuting for the same, and the other half to the use of the city.

APPENDIX No. 108.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways have directed me to offer the accompanying Resolutions and Ordinance, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
JOHN M. FORD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
THOMAS POTTER,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
ALFRED DAY,
ALEX. L. HODGDON.

September 23, 1858.

RESOLUTION 1,

Explaining an Ordinance relative to an appropriation for the repairs
of Girard Avenue Bridge.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Ordinance passed September 9, 1858, making an appropriation to the wing walls of Girard Avenue Bridge and the repairs of bridges, be construed to apply to all bridges needing repairs.

RESOLUTION 2,

Authorizing the paving of Twenty-fifth and other Streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Department of Highways is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with a competent paver or pavers, for the paving of Twenty-fifth Street between Pine and South, in the Seventh Ward; Perry Street from Jefferson to Oxford, in the Seventeenth Ward; and Capitol Street from Brown to Parrish, in the Fifteenth Ward. The conditions of which contracts shall be, that

the contractors will collect the cost and expenses of said paving, from the owners of property fronting on said streets and that the City shall be liable only for the intersections; also, that the contractors shall enter into an obligation to the City to keep the said streets in repair for two years after the paving is finished, and that the water pipes be laid in said streets before the paving is commenced; and the Highway Department is hereby authorized to do the grading in said streets, necessary to be done therein, preparatory to the paving thereof.

RESOLUTION 3,

Authorizing the paving of Twentieth and other Streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver or pavers, for the paving of Twentieth street, from Ridge Avenue to Lancaster Street, in the Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards; Canal Street from Jefferson Avenue to Fifth Street, in the First Ward; and Fifteenth Street from Girard Avenue to Cambridge Street in the Twentieth Ward.

The conditions of which contracts shall be that the contractors will collect the costs and expenses of said paving from the owners of property fronting on said streets, and that the City shall be liable only for the intersections; also that the contractors shall enter into an obligation to the City to keep the said streets in repair for two years after the paving is finished; and that the water pipes be laid in said streets before the paving is commenced.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers and Cleansing the City.

SECTION 1. That the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain that the sum of two thousand dollars, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City for repairs to the City Railroad.

APPENDIX No. 109.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Finance to whom was referred a Bill, entitled, “an Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Board of Guardians of the Poor, for the expenses of that Department for the balance of the year 1858,” which bill was reported to Councils by the “Committee on Poor, respectfully report, that the Finance Committee do not possess any information to guide them in a consideration of the items of the appropriation, and it would be difficult to obtain sufficient data without a conference with the Guardians of the Poor, which would be supererogatory, as the Committee on Poor have had a consultation with that Department, and the Bill was reported by them to Councils as the result of their united views.

Your Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
EDWARD S. HANDY,
WM. NEAL,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
D. L. BEIDEMAN,
ROBERT KELTON.

Sept. 23, 1858.

APPENDIX No. 110.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Honorable, the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department to whom was referred the communication of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, reporting the Moyamensing Hose Company for riotous and disorderly conduct, at the fire in Market Street above Eighth, on the evening of the Twenty-eighth day of June last, most respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*.
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
N. WALSH,
WM. J. GILLINGHAM,
A. MCINTYRE,
WM. BRADFORD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.

Sept. 22, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Suspending the Moyamensing Hose Company.

Resolved, if the Select Council concur, that the Moyamensing Hose Company be suspended for the space of four months, said suspension commencing from the 20th day of June, last past.

APPENDIX No. 111.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POOR.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN;—The Committee on Poor to whom was referred a Resolution of inquiry, at the last stated meeting of Common Council, in regard to the Treasurer of the Guardians of the Poor, have had the same under consideration, and submit the annexed statement of the Secretary of the Board, as their report, and ask the adoption of the following Resolution.

GEORGE F. GORDON, *Chairman*,
JOHN R. SAVAGE,
JOHN G. SCHOCH,
JAMES McCABEN,
D. C. ENOS,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
HENRY DAVIS.

Sept. 16, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, Sept. 15, 1858. }

*To the Committee on Poor of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—As regards the inquiry referred to you in relation to our Treasurer, I respectfully report, that our Treasurer has paid to day into the City Treasury, the sum of nineteen hundred and forty-one dollars and seventy-four cents, being the full amount of money he received for bonded and support cases, and emigrant tax to September 13,

inclusive, in this office. It is the custom for our Treasurer to hold or have a sufficient amount of money in his hands to pay some four hundred women for the support of themselves and children, who have been deserted by their husbands or otherwise, and such payments only being made by order of court. As Mr. Server, the late Treasurer, always retained some two thousand dollars in his hands, and the same having been done before, our present Treasurer thought he had the same right and so acted; soon as a monthly bill is rendered by our Treasurer of his payments a warrant is drawn, and soon as paid by the City Treasurer, the funds are deposited in the City Treasury.

Yours truly,

ISRAEL R. DEACON,

Secretary, Board of Guardians of the Poor.

APPENDIX No. 112.

REPORTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON POOR.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an additional appropriation to the Board of Guardians of the Poor for the expenses of that Department for the balance of the year Eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of Forty-seven thousand [nine hundred and seventy dollars and forty cents] be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Board of Guardians of the Poor. The said appropriations being necessary for expenses for the balance of the present year, caused by the insufficiency of the annual appropriation, [and the extravagant management of the previous Administration.]

SEC. 2. The appropriations named in the First Section to be for the following purposes, namely :

ITEM.

1. For Flour and Corn meal,	\$5.600 00
2. For Beef, and Mutton, Bacon, and Pork,	9.500 00
3. For Codfish,	350 00
4. For Tea and Ceffee,	2.300 00
5. For Brown Sugar,	2.200 00
6. For Rice,	350 00
7. For Butter and Lard,	1.200 00
8. For Crackers,	300 00
9. For Pepper, Hops, and Malt,	90 00
10. For Molasses,	800 00
12. For Potatoes and Beans,	1.500 00
13. For Salt,	100 00
14. For Eggs,	150 00
17. For Shirting, Sheeting, and Flannels,	1.200 00
18. For Calicoes, Ticking, Diaper, and Crash,	200 00
22. For Yarn, Thread, and Cotton,	450 00
25. For Marketing and Provisions for Sick and Nurses, in Hospital and Lunatic Asylum,	650 00
26. For Drugs and Medicines,	1.700 00
27. For White and Brown Sugar,	100 00
28. For Butter and Lard,	75 00
30. For Brandy for the use of the sick,	150 00
31. For Wine for the use of the sick,	200 00
32. For Whiskey for the use of the sick,	300 00
33. For Porter for the use of the sick,	450 00
34. For Surgical Instruments,	100 00
35. For Leeches,	75 00
36. For incidental expenses of Hospital and Lunatic Asylum,	100 00

FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE CHILDREN'S ASYLUM,
AS FOLLOWS:

40. For Muslin, Ticking, Satinets, Flannels, Drillings, and Dress Goods, for boy's and girl's wear,	\$350 00
43. For School Books,	50 00

FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE MANUFACTURING DEPART-
MENT, AS FOLLOWS:

45. For Leather,	1.500 00
46. For Tallow and Caustic Alkali,	500 00
48. For Tin, Glass, Paints, Varnish, Oil, Glue, and Brushes,	300 00
50. For Shoe Findings,	100 00
51. For Chain and Filling,	2.000 00
52. For Incidentals,	100 00

FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE FARM, BLOCKLEY ESTATE,
AND HOUSE GENERALLY, AS FOLLOWS:

53. For Repairs to Stoves, Ranges, and other Cooking Apparatus,	800 00
57. For Furniture,	300 00
58. For Hardware and Crockery Ware,	300 00
59. For Lumber,	500 00
60. For Straw,	400 00
61. For Tobacco,	150 00
62. For Yarn,	200 00
63. For Soap Candles, Lime, and Starch,	350 00
64. For Oil,	100 00
66. For Feed for Horses for use of Almshouse,	150 00
70. For Blacksmith Work,	200 00
For Incidentals,	100 00

FOR SALARIES AS FOLLOWS:

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(87. For Salaries of Out-door Visitors,)	208 40
(88. For Salaries of two additional visitors.)	167 00
94. For Wages on pay-roll chargeable to Manufactory,	250 00
97. For Wood for Alms-House,	500 00
100. For Stationery, Printing, and Advertising,	500 00
104. For Cupping and Leeching,	300 00
105. For the Burial of Small-pox and other cases,	150 00
108. For the Removal of Non-resident Paupers,	250 00

FOR THE RELIEF OF THE OUT-DOOR POOR OF THE
CITY, AS FOLLOWS:

110. For the First Poor District, for other purposes,	150 00
111. For the Second Poor District, for Fuel,	200 00
115. For the Fourth Poor District, for Fuel,	350 00
116. For the Fourth Poor District, for other purposes,	350 00
117. For the Fifth Poor District, for Fuel,	250 00
118. For the Fifth Poor District, for other purposes,	250 00
122. For the Seventh Poor District, for other purposes,	150 00
124. For the Eighth Poor District, for other purposes,	150 00
125. For the Ninth Poor District, for Fuel,	75 00
126. For the Ninth Poor District, for other purposes,	150 00
128. For the Tenth Poor District, for Fuel,	75 00
129. For the Tenth Poor District, for other purposes,	175 00
130. For the Eleventh Poor District, for Fuel,	50 00
131. For the Eleventh Poor District, for other purposes,	50 00
132. For two thousand feet new Gutta Percha Fire Hose,	1,300 00
133. For Laths for Manufactory,	100 00
134. For Consumption of Gas,	\$2,000 00
For the Employment of Nine additional Keepers of the Insane in the Lunatic Asylum,	400 00
135. For Materials and Fixtures for the employment of the Insane,	600 00
136. For Ground Rent of City Office, (six months)	180 00
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	\$47,970 40

SEC. 3. That the proviso in items Nos. 20, 41, and 65—to wit: (provided that the same shall be purchased of the Board of Managers of the House of Refuge) of an Ordinance, making appropriation to the Board of Guardians of the Poor, approved January 27, A. D. 1858—be and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. That all articles enumerated in the Second Section of this ordinance shall be purchased at the whole-sale cash prices of said articles; and that the Controller shall not audit any bills in which the price of articles are higher than the aforesaid wholesale cash prices.

SEC. 5. That warrants for said appropriations shall be drawn in conformity with existing ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 113.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POLICE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Police beg leave to report a Resolution to make sundry transfers, and ask the adoption of the same by Councils.

CHARLES T. JONES, *Chairman*,
AMOS CARSON,
JOHN THOMPSON,
JOHN J. KERSEY,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
JOS. SHERMER.

Sept. 30, 1858.

RESOLUTION

To transfer certain items of appropriation to the Department of Police.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that so much of the appropriation as was made to the Department of Police by Ordinance approved December 31st, 1857, as shall amount to fourteen hundred dollars, be transferred to the following accounts, viz :

From Item 4, "Salaries of Policemen," six hundred dollars, to Item 10, "Repairs to Station Houses."

From Item 4, "Salaries of Policemen," five hundred dollars, to Item 11, "Stationery and Printing."

From Item 19, "Expenses incurred in procuring evidence, &c.," three hundred dollars, to Item 13, "Beds, Bedding, and Rattles."

APPENDIX No. 114.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Police beg leave to report, that they have recently examined the various Station Houses belonging to the regular Police Districts of the City of Philadelphia, with a view of ascertaining not only their present condition, but more particularly to form a correct estimate of the alterations and repairs absolutely necessary to afford comfortable accommodations to the Police force during the approaching winter; and after mature deliberation, have concluded that it is their duty to call the attention of Councils to the matter, and to urge upon them, for their consideration and approval, the subjoined Ordinance, appropriating an amount of money necessary to place the aforesaid Station Houses in good order and repair.

Your Committee find, that whilst some of these Station Houses require merely articles of furniture, such as beds, bedding, window shades, etc., for the accommodation of the force employed. Many others, and indeed the majority of them, are in a deplorable condition, and stand in great need of certain repairs, deemed essential, not only to the preservation of the building itself, but to the health and comfort of those whose duties are such as to claim consideration and attention from the city authorities.

In many instances, the cells attached to the buildings are in a most wretched condition, and require immediate cleansing and purifying to render them even habitable. This altogether arises, either from insufficient or improper ventilation, or to defects and irregularities in construction.

Attention to this matter is demanded without further delay, as your Committee consider it a subject of too much importance to the government and discipline of the Police force, to be overlooked or deferred.

By reference to the annexed statement, it will be observed that no amount has been specified to the first and ninth districts. In these districts, your Committee find that in view of the great expenditure of money necessary to repair each building, and place it in a suitable condition to answer the purposes of a Station House, it would be a wiser policy to construct new houses altogether. Neither one of these buildings is calculated for a Station House, without extensive alterations and repairs, which your Committee do not deem advisable in the premises, as the City would not derive an equivalent for the amount of the outlay.

Your Committee, therefore, beg leave to recommend the construction of two new Station Houses, one in the 1st, and the other in the 9th District, at a cost not exceeding ten thousand dollars for each building, including the price of land required for the purpose.

In view of the above facts and statements, the Committee on Police beg leave to submit the annexed Ordinance, and ask its adoption by Councils.

CHARLES T. JONES, *Chairman*,
AMOS CARSON,
JOHN THOMPSON,
JOHN J. KERSEY,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
JOS. SHERMER.

Sept. 30, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation for Repairs to Station Houses.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of two thousand six hundred and forty-eight dollars be, and the same is

hereby appropriated for repairs to Station Houses, as follows, viz :

To	2d District Station House, the sum of	\$5 00
"	3d " " "	100 00
"	4th " " "	25 00
"	5th " " "	1,043 00
"	6th " " "	100 00
"	7th " " "	300 00
"	8th " " "	100 00
"	9th " " "	
"	10th " " "	150 00
"	11th " " "	200 00
"	12th " " "	100 00
"	13th " " "	125 00
"	14th " " "	100 00
"	15th " " "	100 00
"	16th " " "	
For cleaning Station Houses,		200 00
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		\$2,648 00

SEC. 2. Warrants for the payment of said appropriation shall be drawn by the Mayor, in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 115.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Highways, have directed me to report the accompanying Ordinance, and Resolutions, and ask their adoption. Also report, adverse to the passage of an Ordinance, entitled, an Ordinance to prevent obstructions upon Passenger Railway Tracks ; and that Shippen Street from Grays Ferry Road to Sutherland Avenue, was by Resolution of Councils, directed to be

paved; and a contract to do the same, entered into with John McAleer & Co., on May the 10th, 1858.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Yours,

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
JOHN M. FORD,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
STEPHEN BENTON,
ALEX. L. HODGDON,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
THOMAS POTTER,
ALFRED DAY.

September 30, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, to pay certain Road damages.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of one thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways, for the purpose of paying, to the heirs or legal representatives of Benjamin Jones deceased, for damages sustained by the opening of Lancaster Street, from Reed to Dickinson Streets, in the First Ward.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the payment of the said appropriation, shall be drawn by the Chief Commissioner of Highways, whenever the City Solicitor, upon the faith of proper certificates of search, to be produced to him, shall certify that there are no liens or incumbrances against the property to be taken for the said street, for which damages have been awarded.

SEC. 3. Upon the delivery of such warrants countersigned by the City Controller to the City Treasurer, he shall deliver to the person in whose favor the same is drawn, or to his, her, or their order, certificates of City debt, to the amount of such warrant, which certificates shall be

such as are provided for in an Ordinance, approved August 23, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the issuing of certificates of debt, in payment of Road damages, and to pay the contract price of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph." And the said certificates shall be a portion of those authorized to be issued by that Ordinance.

RESOLUTION 1,

To transfer an item of appropriation, to the Department of Highways

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the sum of six thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby transferred, from Item two, as follows, four thousand dollars to Item four, and two thousand, to Item three, of an appropriation made to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City, January 18, 1858.

RESOLUTION 2,

To grade Bridge Street.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and the same is hereby authorized, to have Bridge Street, from Jackson Street to the Bristol Turnpike, in the Twenty-third Ward graded, provided, that it shall not cost over one hundred and fifty dollars.

RESOLUTION 3,

To authorize the paving of Franklin and other Streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Department of Highways is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with a competent paver or pavers, for the paving of the following Streets,

viz: Franklin, from Thompson to Master, in the Twentieth ward; West Street, from Coates to Parrish, in the Fifteenth Ward; and Simes Street, from Twenty-third to Twenty-fourth Streets, in the Ninth Ward.

The conditions of which contract shall be, that the Contractors will collect the cost and expenses of said paving, from the owners of property fronting on said streets, and that the City shall be liable only for the intersections; also, that the Contractors shall enter into an obligation to the City, to keep the said streets in repair for two years after the paving is finished, and that the water pipes be laid in said streets, before the paving is commenced; and the Highway Department is hereby authorized to do the grading in said streets necessary to be therein done, preparatory to the paving thereof.

RESOLUTION 4,

Authorizing the paving of Shippen Street.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Department of Highways is hereby authorized to enter into a contract, with a competent paver, to pave Shippen Street, from Twentieth Street to Grays Ferry Road, in the First Ward.

The conditions of which contract shall be, that the Contractor will collect the cost and expenses, of said paving from the owners of property fronting on said Street; and that the City shall be at no expense whatever, also, that the Contractor, shall enter into an obligation to the City, to keep the said street in repair for two years after the paving is finished, and that the water pipes be laid in said street, before the paving is commenced.

APPENDIX No. 116.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the Petition of C. Sherman & Son, asking for privilege to construct a culvert or drain on the line of Seventh Street, southward from Race Street, having received the Report of the Board of Surveys upon the question, with the statement that it will be beneficial for City drainage, offer the accompanying Bill, asking that it may receive the approval of Councils.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
ROBERT LUTHER,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
HENRY DAVIS,
WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
O. H. P. PARKER,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
N. NATHANS.

Sept. 22, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain culvert or drain on the line of Seventh Street, southwardly from Race Street, in the Tenth Ward.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the owners of property situate on the line of Seventh Street, between Race and Cherry Streets, are hereby authorized to construct a culvert or

drain, to commence at and intersect the culvert at Race and Seventh Streets, and to extend southwardly along Seventh Street to the south side of Cherry Street; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Surveys. *Provided*, before the said culvert is commenced, the parties who are hereby authorized to construct the same shall enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build it at their own expense, and, upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SECTION 2. The said culvert, when completed, shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a drain to said culvert, be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing said culvert, then and in such case the parties constructing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit shall be granted, such part of the original cost thereof as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her or their property thereon; and in case of neglect or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such culvert, shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, that the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 117.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the Petition of property

owners, for a branch culvert or drain on the line of Wood Street, westwardly from Queen Street, in the Eighteenth Ward, respectfully report the following Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
 ROBERT LUTHER,
 WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
 SAML. W. CATTELL,
 MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
 HENRY DAVIS,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 O. H. P. PARKER,
 CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
 G. W. SCHOFIELD,
 N. NATHANS.

Sept. 30, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain on the line of Wood Street, westwardly from Queen Street, in the Eighteenth Ward.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the owners of property situate on the line of Wood Street, between Queen Street and Franklin Avenue, are hereby authorized to construct a culvert or drain, to commence at, and intersect the culvert on the line of Queen Street, and to extend westwardly along Wood Street to the easterly side of Franklin Avenue; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Highways. *Provided*, before the said culvert is commenced, the parties who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build it at their own expense, and upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SEC. 2. The said culvert, when completed, shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a drain to said culvert, be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing said culvert, then and in such case the parties con-

structing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit shall be granted, such part of the original cost thereof, not exceeding seventy-five cents per lineal foot, on either side of said street, as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her, or their property thereon; and in case of neglect or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such culvert shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, that the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 118.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the Petition of Property owners, for a branch Culvert or Drain, on the line of Randolph Street, between Parrish and Poplar Streets, in the Twelfth Ward; respectfully report the following Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*.
ROBERT LUTHER,
WM. M. BAIRD,
SAML. W. CATTELL,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
HENRY DAVIS,
WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
O. H. P. PARKER,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
N. NATHANS.

Sept. 30, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of a certain Culvert or Drain, on the line of Randolph Street, northward from Parrish Street, in the Twelfth Ward.

SEC. 1. The Select and Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the owners of property situate on Randolph Street, between Parrish and Poplar Streets, are hereby authorized to construct a Culvert or Drain, to commence at and intersect the Culvert on the line of Parrish Street, to extend northwardly along Randolph Street, to the school-house erected by trustees of legacy of Nathan Sheppard; to be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Highways. *Provided*, before the said Culvert is commenced, the parties who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build it at their own expense, and upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SEC. 2. The said Culvert when completed shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a drain to said Culvert, be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing said Culvert, then and in such case the parties constructing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit shall be granted, such part of the original cost thereof, not exceeding seventy-five cents per lineal foot, on either side of said street, as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her, or their property thereon; and in case of neglect or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culvert shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided, also*, that the annual charge or rentage shall be paid as specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 119.

AN ORDINANCE

To pay certain Bills contracted by the Guardians of the Poor, in excess of the annual appropriation, and contracted for principally previous to July, 1853.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of eight thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars and thirty-six cents be, and is hereby appropriated to the Department of the Guardians of the Poor, to pay the following bills, to wit:

Maetier & Steel, for Coal,	\$21 75
M. Kelly, for Carriage Hire,	78 00
Hague & Salsman, for Carriage Hire,	87 00
J. M. Donnell, for Crackers,	32 24
Thomas J. Martin, for Wine,	254 75
N. H. Graham & Co., for Lard Oil,	163 01
G. W. Montgomery, for Coal,	48 01
Thomas J. Martin, for Sugar,	76 50
C. J. McNeil, for Water Cooler,	3 50
Harbert & Davis, for Lumber,	56 75
George Russell, for Lumber,	98 56
McGary & Kennedy, for Lime,	25 62
William Tate, for Leeching, Second District,	21 50
Thomas J. Natt, Agent, for Coal, Ninth District,	11 88
Arrison & Smith, for Sugar,	272 64
Arrison & Smith, for Vinegar & Rice,	104 61
Hoed & Co., for Muslins,	183 32
John C. Baker & Co., for Drugs,	280 59
E. McGovern, for Crockery Ware,	14 50
B. Quigley, for Carriage Hire,	86 00
Washington Stables, for Carriage Hire,	84 00
William Kelly, for Carriage Hire,	85 00
Bernard Rourke, for Carriage Hire,	86 00
George Boon, for Blacksmithing,	71 62
Joshua Wright, for Groceries, Fifth District,	46 00
Francis D. Mower, for Salary and Office Rent, Tenth District,	85 00
George Frick, for Cupping, Seventh District,	46 00
R. H. Henderson, for Cupping and Leeching, Third District,	15 50
Jacob W. Anderson, for Cupping and Leeching, Sixth District,	10 00
James Galbraith, for Wood, Fourth and Sixth Districts,	21 70
Hague & Salsman, for Carriage Hire,	90 00
— Stuckert, for Carriage Hire,	87 00
William Green, for Crackers,	21 24
Thomas Shriner, for Brandy,	22 50
Henry Remmy, for Stone Ware,	66 93
Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, for Brushes,	120 50
W. H. Smith, for Netting and Fans,	30 35
Charles Magrady, for Cupping and Leeching, Fourth District,	35 00
Francis McGuigan, for Coal, Fifth District,	26 10
R. & F. Attmore, for Groceries, Fifth District,	52 00
Lewis Lockard, for Leeching, Fifth District,	3 00

George Boon, for Blacksmithing,	8 71
Arrison & Smith, for Salt and Meal,	37 00
William P. Emley, for Whiskey,	30 75
William P. Emley, for Port Wine,	70 75
William M. Rex, for Porter,	22 50
Thomas E. Baxter, for Hardware,	29 42
Thomas E. Baxter, for Hardware,	93 08
S. C. Foulk, for Carpeting,	162 23
Jacob Anderson, for Cupping, Fourth District,	2 00
Robert Henderson, for Coal, Fourth District,	114 75
James Galbraith, for Wood, Fourth District,	120 75
Robert Henderson, for Coal, Fourth District,	11 25
A. L. Crawford, for Groceries, Fourth District,	51 87
C. Webster, for Cupping and Leeching, Fourth District,	20 00
Joshua Wright, for Groceries, Fifth District,	29 00
Henry Styer, for Coal, Fifth District,	94 17
Rachel Calvert, for Cupping and Leeching, Fifth District,	4 00
C. V. Schlater, for arrears of salary	110 41
James Lowery, for Burials and Hauling,	43 00
Thomas Carrick & Co., for Crackers,	31 26
J. Cadmus, for Boots and Shoes,	115 00
C. Murphy, for Board of Doctors,	45 68
C. Murphy, for Board of Doctors,	64 00
M. Henszey, for Board of Doctors,	32 00
S. Shelladay, for Leeching, Fifth District,	1 00
R. A. Jamison, for Groceries, Fifth District,	113 00
J. W. Anderson, for Cupping and Leeching, Sixth District,	1 00
Trustees of Gas Department, for July Gas,	289 58
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Brown Sugar,	372 08
Landy & Uhler, for Sugar, Molasses, and Rice,	373 55
A. M. Grauel, for Roasting Coffee,	46 47
Landy & Uhler, for Crackers, Salt, and Barley,	74 05
Wills & Babbit, for Salt,	18 50
Reeves S. Dyer, for Potatoes,	142 50
Jenks & Ogden, for Drugs,	284 58
Charles Shivers, for Drugs,	40 00
Garrigues & Magee, for Drugs,	7 70
W. Rex, for Porter,	22 50
James Sloan, for Porter,	22 50
John Stewart, for Whiskey,	92 25
A. J. Harper, for Port Wine,	52 25
John Stewart, for Port Wine,	160 00
Morris & Jones & Co., for Hardware,	7 00
John Henderson, for Salt,	23 38
James Lowery, for Women's Lace Boots,	122 00
W. P. & G. W. Hacker, for Bowls,	18 00
Anspach, Reed & Co., for Muslins, &c.,	1,001 94
Andrews & Brother, for Muslins, &c.,	450 38
Burton & Laning, for Paper Hangings,	29 55
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Groceries,	87 75
Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, for Brushes,	117 00
John Ziegandus, for Balance of Coal Account of 1857,	34 30
Thomas E. Baxter, for Hardware,	273 81
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Balance Coffee,	12 62
J. M. Ellis & Son, for White Sugar,	116 58
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Sugar,	105 80

Total,

\$8.866 36

APPENDIX No. 120.

AN ORDINANCE

For the suppression of nuisances.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that if any person or persons shall dig or cause to be dug, within the limits of the late Borough of Manayunk, in the Twenty-first Ward, any vault or sink for a privy or necessary, nearer than two feet from his or their adjoining neighbor's line, every such person or persons so offending, and being convicted thereof before an Alderman, shall pay the sum of Twenty Dollars, for the use of the City, to be recovered as other debts of a like amount are by law recoverable; and the said vault or sink shall be filled up at the expense of the owner or owners thereof, by the Supervisor of the District in which said Borough is located.

APPENDIX No. 121.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
October 7, 1858. }

*To the Hon. the Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the provisions of Section 8, of the Ordinance, entitled, "An Ordinance to re-organize the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia," I herewith transmit my eighth quarterly report for the quarter ending September 30, 1858, of the number of fires, alarms, amount of loss, and the loss over insurance.

The number of fires that have occurred during the above period is 96. The estimated loss upon which is \$101,615 upon which there is an insurance of \$33,555, leaving a balance of an uninsured loss of \$68,060.

Since my last report, the Congress Fire Company of Chesnut Hill has been admitted into the Fire Department, making the Department now to consist of 43 engine companies, 43 hose companies, and 5 hook and ladder companies, total, 91.

You are already aware of the disposition upon the part of some of the companies composing the Fire Department, to behave in a riotous and disorderly manner during fires and alarms thereof.

I have lately reported several of them to Councils for these offences, but there appears to be some great neglect in giving them an early examination. Sometimes cases are left untried for months, and when at last called up the circumstances are entirely forgotten.

More companies would be reported to your honorable bodies, but it is impossible for me to procure witnesses, it would therefore be useless to make a report, when the charge could not be substantiated by sufficient evidence. It is an easy matter for companies reported, to produce evidence to entirely rebut that which I might produce, because their *own* members, and the members of other companies who *have been* reported, are the ones generally brought up to give testimony.

I would therefore suggest the propriety of giving all companies a speedy trial. If a few of them were suspended or disbanded, there would be no disposition, I think, on the part of the others to act disorderly, as they would fear the result, and by that means become law-abiding and dutiful.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER STATEMENT

DATE 1858.	Location.	District.	What Destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Loss on	
					Real Estate.	Personal Estate.
July 1,	Haverford road and Lancaster pike,	7	Shed and hay scales, -	Incendiarism,	400	
" 4,	Alarm, caused by ringing of fire bells,	3				
" 4,	Sixteenth and Hamilton sts.,	3	Rubbish in a factory, -	Accidental, -		
" 5,	S. W. cor. Front and Franklin streets,	1	Two frame shanties, -	Incendiarism,		
" 5,	Queen street, bel. Front,	1	Stable and Dwelling, -	Incendiarism,	450	
" 5,	Webb's alley, below Race,	2	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 5,	S. E. cor. 11th and Market,	2	Cigar store, -	Carelessness, -		15
" 5,	N. W. cor. 8th and Wood,	3	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 5,	Ninth st., west side, above Race,	3	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -	250	20
" 5,	Thirteenth st., above Race,	3	Confectionery store, -	Accidental, -	60	4
" 5,	S. E. corner 12th and Green,	3	Bulk window of grocery store,	Accidental, -		
" 5,	Eighth st., bel. Buttonwood,	3	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 6,	Rodman street, above 10th,	1	Bed and clothing, -	Carelessness, -		
" 6,	Barker street, above 16th,	2	Stable stock, &c., -	Incendiarism,	20	3
" 7,	Grays Ferry Road,	1	Brick shed, -	Incendiarism,		
" 7,	Second st., near Catharine,	1	Boiler shed, -	Accidental, -	100	
" 7,	Alarm, caused by smoke issuing from factory, -	7				
" 7,	Coates st. wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Wheelwright shop, -	Accidental, -		
" 8,	Garden street, above Wood,	3	Window curtain, -	Accidental, -		
" 9,	Race st. wharf, Schuylkill,	2	Shed, -	Accidental, -		
" 9,	Chimney, Newmarket and Pegg,	3				
" 10,	Coombs alley, bel. Second,	2	Carpenter shop, -	Accidental, -		
" 10,	Ninth street, above Wood,	3	Dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 10,	Alarm, bonfire broad and Prime,	1				
" 10,	On the Delaware, below the Horse Shoe,	1	Steam tug <i>Rappahannock</i> and forty-eight mules, -	Accidental, -		2100
" 12,	Buttonwood st., bel. 5th,	3	Window curtain, -	Accidental, -		
" 16,	Ridge road and Washington lane,	4	Hay stack, -	Incendiarism,		20
" 16,	S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	Two old shanties, -	Incendiarism,	100	
" 17,	Barker street, above 18th,	2	Dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 18,	Hancock st., ab. Phoenix,	4	Roof of a dwelling, -	Defective flue,	100	50
" 22,	Vine street, below 11th,	3	Rubbish in a building, -	Accidental, -		
" 22,	Chimney, 7th and Sansom,	2				
" 22,	Eighth street, bel. Arch,	2	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 22,	Third st., near Buttonwood,	3	Dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 23,	Front st., near Moore,	1	Dwellings, stores and stables,	Incendiarism,	800	450
" 23,	Howard st., below Market,	2	Roofs of dwellings, furniture, &c., -	Carelessness, -	1200	645
" 23,	Manayunk, -	6	Cotton factory, -	Accidental, -		50
" 23,	Race street, below Sixth,	3	Roof of a dwelling, -			
" 25,	Seventh st., above Poplar,	4	Dwelling, -	Accidental, -		
" 25,	Main and Washington sts.,	6	Barn, -	Incendiarism,	600	

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. OF FIRES, &c.

Owners of Real Estate.	Owners of Personal Estate.	INSUR- ANCE ON		Where Insured.	Remarks
		Real Estate.	Personal Estate.		
George Ludwick, -				No Insurance.	
Jennings & Webb, -		450		Frank'n & Hand-in-Hand.	Trifling. Trifling.
	John Lees, -		150	Farmers and Mechanics'.	Trifling.
E. H. Thompson, -	E. H. Thompson, -	250	200	Franklin and Delaware	
H. S. Snyder, -	H. S. Snyder,	60		Mutual. Fire Association.	Trifling. Trifling. Trifling.
John Shaw, -	Barclay Grimes, -	20		Franklin.	Trifling
Joseph Elkinton, -		100		Pennsylvania.	Trifling. Trifling. Trifling.
					Trifling. Trifling.
	Flanagan & Co., et al.,		6000	Delaware Mutual.	Trifling.
Burk & McClain, -				No Insurance.	Trifling;
				No Insurance.	
George Downey, -	George Downey, -	100		Franklin.	Trifling. Trifling.
					Trifling. Trifling.
Thos. P. Dolby and A. McCracken, -	Thos. P. Dolby and Arch. McCracken, -	700		Fire Association.	
Peter Morland, John Knight, Howard Williams Wm. Cleigh- ton, Henry Diemer, Widow Bates, Isaac Sulzer, John S. Kelly, Roger Brown, -	Peter Morland, John Knight, John Cochran, Matthew O'Neil, Wm. Cleighton, Henry Die- mer, James Freeborn, Margaret McClay, Wil- son Stroud, Nathan War- nock and Alex. Craw- ford, -	1200	200	Franklin and Hope Mu- tual.	
	Arbuckle & Co., -		50	Royal.	Trifling. Trifling,
William B. Thomas.	William B. Thomas,			No Insurance.	

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER STATEMENT

DATE. 1853.	Location.	District.	What Destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Real Estate.	Loss
" 25,	Thompson street, near 15th,	4	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 26,	Eleventh st., near Cherry,	2	Bake house, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 26,	Alarm, caused by smoke is- suing from factory at Duke and Marlborough,	4				
" 26,	Culvert street, bel. Poplar,	4	Dwelling and clothing, -	Carelessness, -	10	
" 27,	Second st., between Walnut and Chesnut, -	2	Workshop, - - -	Accidental, -		
" 27,	Pearl st., below Broad,	3	Shed, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 28,	Haydock st., below Front,	4	Cotton and Woolen factory,	Accidental, -		
" 29,	Raspberry alley, bel. Race,	2	Carpenter shop, -	Carelessness, -		
" 29,	N. W. cor. 10th & Market,	2	Drug store, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 30,	Hyde's court, - - -	2	Shed, - - -	Carelessness, -		
Aug. 1,	Alarm, caused by a fire in Norristown, - - -	3				
" 1,	Twenty-fifth and Brown sts.,	4	Stable stock, gears and horses,	Incendiarism,	200	
" 1,	Water st., near Vine, -	3	Coffee roasting establishment,	Accidental, -		
" 6,	Second st., near Nicetown lane, - - -	5	An old barn, - - -	Incendiarism,	150	
" 8,	Morris st., below Frankford road, - - -	1	A chicken house, - -	Set on fire by children, -		
" 8,	Tenth st. and Ridge road,	3	Store, - - -	Accidental, -	25	
" 8,	Frankford, - - -	5	Barn, stock, &c., -	Incendiarism,	300	
" 10,	Seventeenth and Catharine,	1	Pulverized charcoal manuf'y,	Incendiarism,	300	
" 10,	Noble st., west of Fifth,	3	Shavings in a cellar, -	Accidental, -		
" 10,	Alarm, caused by a light south-west, - - -	1				
" 10,	Alarm, caused by a light west, - - -	1				
" 13,	Shippen and Swanson sts.,	1	Chair manufactory, stock of tools, and the roof of Aethel Church, - - -	Carelessness, -	3500	2
" 14,	Alarm, caused by the rekin- dling of the above, -	1				
" 14,	Allen st., near Shackamaxon	4	Frame stable, - - -	Incendiarism,		
" 15,	East side of 8th, bel. Poplar,	4	Rear of a dwelling, -	Carelessness, -	50	
" 16,	Alarm, (Box 4 broken open; no fire.) - - -	1				
" 18,	Rear of Fourth st., between Brown and Poplar, -	4	Stable, - - -	Set on fire by boys, -	10	
" 19,	Biddle st., between Twenty- third and Twenty-fourth,	3	Cotton mill, flour mill, ma- chinery, stock, and roofs of dwellings, - - -	Accidental, -	25500	245
" 19,	Eleventh and Arch streets,	2	Tar barrel, - - -	Set fire by boys,		
" 20,	Cadwalader st., ab. Phoenix,	4	Laboratory, - - -	Accidental, -		
" 22,	S. E. cor. Farr and Mayland streets, - - -	3	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 23,	Eleventh st., ab. Arch,	2	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 23,	Seventh st., above Poplar,	4	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -		
" 23,	N. W. cor. Ninth & Chesnut,	2	Laboratory, - - -	Accidental, -	25	
" 23,	Fifth and Germantown road,	4	Glue factory, - - -	Carelessness, -	500	150
" 24,	West side of Fourth, below Coates, - - -	4	Roof of a dwelling, -	Defective flue,		
" 24,	Alarm, (western bells ring- ing.) - - -	3				
" 29,	Lancaster pike, ab. Haver- ford road, - - -	7	Store and dwellings, -	Accidental, -	1800	30
" 31,	Whitehall street, bet. Thir- teenth and Broad, -	3	Patent roof manufactory, -	Accidental, -	500	20

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. OF FIRES, &c.

Owners of Real Estate.	Owners of Personal Estate.	INSUR- ANCE ON		Where Insured.	Remarks.
		Real Estate.	Personal Estate.		
					Trifling. Trifling.
William R. Fulmer,	William McGee, - William Gaw, -	-	-	No Insurance. 100 Franklin.	Trifling.
	Garside & Co., -	-	-	No Insurance.	Trifling. Trifling. Trifling.
Smith & Bro., -	Smith & Bro., -	-	-	No Insurance.	Trifling.
Sidney Jones, -				No Insurance.	Trifling.
John Lyons, -	F. D. Gross, -	-	25	Farmers and Mechanics.	
Castor's estate, -	Castor's estate, -	-	300	700 Bucks County Mutual.	
Campbell's estate, -	Pat. Sweney, -	-	300	Mechanics'.	Trifling.
Fisher's estate and Bethel Church, -	William Peters and William Costello, -	3500	1000	Hand-in-Hand, Exchange, Franklin, and Great Western.	Trifling.
David Danneker, -			50	Franklin.	
Rawl estate, -	Currie & Stetson, -	-	-	No Insurance.	
McFride's estate, Hood Simpson, -	McBride estate, Hood Simpson, -	6500	5000	Fire Association, Royal, Spring Garden, Franklin and Delaware Mutual.	Trifling. Trifling. Trifling.
John Hinckle, -			25	Fire Association.	Trifling.
T. S. R. Fassitt, -	Taylor & Wetherbee,	-	500	American.	Trifling. Trifling.
J. L. Gorman, Price estate, -	John L. Gorman, -	-	1200	Frank'n & Hand-in-Hand.	
Levi Stooks, -	Warner & Co., -	-	300	Spring Garden.	

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER STATEMENT

DATE. 1858.	Location.	District.	What Destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Loss. Real Estate.
Aug. 31,	Alarm, (Fairmount Engine's bell.)	3			
Sept. 1,	West side of 9th, bel. Race,	2	An awning, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 2,	Carlton st., bet. 15th & 16th,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 3,	Second st., below Dock,	2	Rubbish in a store,	Incendiarism,	
" 4,	Shippen st., above 18th,	1	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 5,	No. 2217 Clayton street,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 8,	On the Delaware, near Tor- resdale,	5	Brick stable, stock, &c., -		2200
" 8,	Chimney, Front & Christian,	1			
" 8,	Queen st., near Second,	1	Roof of a laboratory, -	Accidental, -	
" 8,	S. E. cor. Eighth and Noble,	3	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 9,	Ridge road, near Spring Garden.	3	Rubbish in a foundry,	Carelessness, -	
" 12,	Olive street, near Broad,	4	Stable, - - -		
" 12,	Coates st. wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Workshop, - - -	Incendiarism,	
" 14,	Chimney, Swanson and Christian,	1		Incendiarism,	1000
" 15,	Alarm, (Fairmount Engine's bell.)	3			
" 16,	Callowhill st., near 25th,	3	Flour and feed store, -	Incendiarism,	300
" 16,	On the Wissahickon, -	6	Cotton wadding manufactory,	Accidental, -	1000
" 17,	Alarm, (Fairmount Engine's bell.)	3			
" 18,	Garden and Noble streets,	3	Roofs of dwellings, -	Defective flue,	100
" 19,	Reed street wharf, -	1	Slip and coal office,	Incendiarism,	500
" 19,	Twenty-third and Hamilton streets, -	3	Stable, - - -	Incendiarism,	
" 19,	Juliana st., above Wood,	3	Stable stock and horse, -	Incendiarism,	200
" 19,	Chimney, 12th and Poplar,	4			
" 20,	Twenty-fifth and Brown sts.	4	Shed, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 20,	Alarm, (Western District bells,) -	3			
" 22,	Township line, near Wissa- hickon, -	6	Stack of hay, - - -	Incendiarism,	
" 23,	Germantown road, near Co- lumbia, -	4	Dwelling, - - -	Carelessness, -	
" 23,	Alarm, (light north-west.)	3			
" 24,	S. E. cor. Frankford road and Deal, -	4	Grocery store, -	Set on fire by rats, -	50
" 24,	Germantown road and Chat- ham, -	4	Roof and garret of hotel, -	Set on fire by mice, -	
" 25,	Manayunk, -	6	Cotton factory, -	Accidental, -	200
" 25,	Second st., above Christian,	1	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -	
" 25,	Seventh st., above Market,	2	Roof of a dwelling, -	Accidental, -	
" 26,	Alarm, (caused by alarim boxes striking.)				
" 27,	Seventh and Coates streets,	4	Bake House, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 27,	Eighteenth st., bel. Market,	2	Dwelling, - - -	Set fire by boys,	25
" 27,	Alarm, (fire in Jersey,) -				
" 27,	Second street, bel. Reed,	1	Feed store and stable, -	Incendiarism,	300
" 28,	James street, bel. Eighth.	1	Dwelling, - - -	Accidental, -	
" 30,	Alarm, (fire in Montgomery county,) -	3			

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. OF FIRES, &c.

Owners of Real Estate.	Owners of Personal Estate.	INSUR- ANCE ON		Where Insured.	Remarks.
		Real Estate.	Personal Estate.		
Samuel Grant, -	Samuel Grant, - -	1200	800	Bucks County Mutual.	Trifling. Trifling. Trifling. Trifling. Trifling.
Strickland Kneass, -	T. S. Emery, - -		1000	Philadelphia Live Stock.	Trifling. Trifling. Trifling. Trifling.
McCreedy estate, -	Wright & Bro., -		300	Philadelphia Fire & Life.	
Matthias Gorgas, -	Matthias Gorgas, -			No Insurance.	
Bisbing estate, -	Jacob Stark and August Weaver, - -	100	50	Fire Association and Spr'g Garden.	
Reed Street Ferry Co.,				No Insurance.	Trifling.
Pierce Butler, -	James McCloskey, -	3500		No Insurance.	Trifling.
	J. Rittenhouse, -			No Insurance.	Trifling.
	Wilson & Davis,		300	Spring Garden.	
Voight estate, -	John Klein, - -	50	100	Franklin and Fire Associ- ation.	
Sutton & Co., -	Sutton & Co., - -	200	450	Royal.	Trifling. Trifling.
Sharpless estate, -	Pat. McLaughlin, -	25		Franklin.	Trifling.
Hudson Stiles, -	Hudson Stiles, -			No Insurance.	Trifling.

RECAPITULATION.

MONTHS.		FIRES.	
1858.	1st District.		
July,	2d District.		
Aug.	3d District.		
Sept.,	4th District.		
	5th District.		
	6th District.		
	7th District.		
	Total.		
	Alarms.		
	Chimneys.		
	Departm't called out.		
	Department in service.		
	Loss on Real Estate.		
	Loss on Personal Estate.		
	Total Loss.		
	Insurance on Real Estate.		
	Insurance on Personal Estate.		
	Total Insurance.		
	Loss on Real Estate over Insurance.		
	Loss on Personal Estate over Insurance.		
	Total Loss.		

LOSS AND INSURANCE BY THE SEVEN DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	Loss.	Insurance.	Loss over Insurance.
First District, -	29,960	12,050	17,910
Second do., -	4,195	2,195	2,000
Third do., -	53,100	12,785	40,315
Fourth do., -	3,850	1,625	2,225
Fifth do., -	4,150	3,000	1,150
Sixth do., -	3,860	700	3,160
Seventh do., -	2,500	1,200	1,300
Total, - -	101,615	33,555	68,060

CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select
and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing ordinances, re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the fires that I have attended during the quarter, ending September 30, 1858, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL P. FEARON,

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this seventh day of October, A. D. 1858.

PETER HAY,

Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dts.	REMARKS.
July 1	Haverford Road and Lancaster Pike,	7	Out.
" 4	Alarm,	3	do.
" 4	16th and Hamilton Sts.,	3	Present.
" 5	S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	Not alarmed.
" 5	Queen St. below Front	1	Present.
" 5	Webb's Alley below Race,	2	Out of town.
" 5	S. E. cor. of 11th and Market,	2	
" 5	N. W. cor. of 8th and Wood,	3	Out.
" 5	9th St. above Race.	3	Present.
" 5	Thirteenth Street above Race,	3	do.
" 5	S. E. Cor. of 12th and Green,	3	No alarm.
" 5	8th Street above Buttonwood,	3	Out.
" 6	Rodman Street above 10th,	1	Present.
" 6	Barker Street above 16th,	2	do.
" 7	Grey's Ferry Road,	1	do.
" 7	Second Street near Catharine,	1	do.
" 7	Alarm,	7	Not alarmed.
" 7	Coates St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	do.
" 8	Garden Street near Wood,	3	No alarm.
" 9	Race St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	2	Present.
" 9	Chimney, New Market and Pegg,	3	Out.
" 10	Comb's Alley below Second,	2	Present.
" 10	Ninth above Wood,	3	No alarm.
" 10	Alarm, bonfire Broad and Prime,	1	Present.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dts.	REMARKS.
July	10 On the Delaware south of the City,	1	Out.
"	12 Buttonwood below Twelfth,	3	No alarm.
"	16 Ridge Road and Washington,	4	do.
"	16 S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	Not alarmed.
"	17 Barker St. above 17th,	2	Present.
"	18 Hancock St. above Phoenix,	4	do.
"	22 Vine St. below 11th,	3	No alarm.
"	22 Chimney, Seventh and Sansom,	2	Present.
"	22 Eighth St. below Arch,	2	do.
"	22 Third St. near Buttonwood,	3	do.
"	23 Front St. near Moore,	1	do.
"	23 Howard St. near Market,	2	do.
"	23 Manayunk,	6	No alarm.
"	23 Race St. below Sixth,	3	Present.
"	25 Seventh above Poplar Sts.,	4	Out.
"	25 Main and Washington Sts.,	6	No alarm.
"	26 Thompson St. above 15th,	4	Present.
"	27 Eleventh St. above Cherry,	2	No alarm.
"	27 Alarm, Duke and Marlborough,	4	Present.
"	27 Culvert St. above Poplar,	4	do.
"	27 Second St. below Chestnut,	2	do.
"	27 Pearl below Broad,	3	No alarm.
"	28 Haydock below Front,	4	Out.
"	29 Raspberry Alley below Race,	2	No alarm.
"	29 N. W. cor. of 10th and Market,	2	Present.
"	30 Hyde's Court,		do.
Aug.	1 Alarm, Fire in Norristown,	3	Out.
"	1 Twenty-fifth and Brown,	4	Present.
"	1 Water St. near Vine,	3	do.
"	6 Second St. near Nicetown Lane,	5	Out.
"	8 Norris St. below Frankford Road,	4	do.
"	8 Tenth and Ridge Road,	3	Present.
"	8 Frankford,	5	No alarm.
"	10 17th and Catharine,	1	Present.
"	10 Noble St. west of Fifth,	3	do.
"	10 Alarm,	1	Out.
"	10 Alarm,	1	do.
"	13 Shippen and Swanson,	1	Present.
"	13 Alarm, above fire,	1	do.
"	14 Allen St. near Shackamaxon,	4	do.
"	15 East side of 5th below Poplar,	4	do.
"	16 Alarm, from Box 4,	1	do.
"	18 Rear of 4th above Brown,	4	Out.
"	19 Biddle St. between 23rd and 24th,	3	Present.
"	19 Alarm, Pot of Tar 10th and Arch,	2	Out.
"	20 Cadwalader above Phoenix,	4	do.
"	22 N. E. cor. of Farr and Mayland,	3	do.
"	23 Eleventh St. above Arch,	2	do.
"	23 7th Street above Poplar,	4	do.
"	23 N. W. cor. of Ninth and Chestnut,	2	Present.
"	23 Fifth and Germantown Road,	4	No alarm.
"	24 West side of 4th below Coates,	4	Present.
"	29 Lancaster Pike near Toll Gate,	7	do.
"	31 Whitehall St. between Thirteenth and Broad,	3	do.
"	31 Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
Sept.	1 West side of 9th below Race,	2	Not alarmed.
"	2 Carlton St. between 15th and 16th Sts.,	3	Out.
"	3 Second St. below Dock,	2	Present.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
Sept. 4	Shippen St. above Eighteenth,	1	Out.
" 5	2217 Clayton St.,	3	do.
" 8	On the Delaware near Torridale,	5	Not alarmed.
" 8	Chimney, Front and Christian,	1	Out.
" 8	Queen St. near Second,	1	Present.
" 8	S. E. cor. 8th and Noble,	3	At the ab. fire.
" 9	Ridge Avenue near Spring Garden,	3	Out.
" 12	Olive St. near Broad,	4	Present.
" 12	Coates St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Out.
" 14	Chimney, Swanson above Christian,	1	Out of town.
" 15	Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Not alarmed.
" 16	Callowhill St. near 25th,	3	do.
" 16	On the Wissahikon.	6	do.
" 17	Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
" 18	Garden and Noble St.,	3	Present.
" 19	Reed Street Wharf,	1	do.
" 19	23rd and Hamilton,	3	At the ab. fire.
" 19	Juliann St. above Wood,	3	do.
" 19	Chimney, Twelfth and Poplar,	4	Out.
" 20	Twenty-fifth and Brown Sts.,	4	Present.
" 20	Alarm, Western District Bells,	3	Out.
" 22	Township Line near Wissahikon,	6	Not alarmed.
" 23	Germantown Road near Calumbia,	4	Out.
" 23	Alarm, light North West,	3	do.
" 24	S. E. cor. of Frankford Road and Deal.	4	do.
" 24	Germantown Road and Chatham,	4	Present.
" 24	Manayunk,	6	Out.
" 25	Second St. above Christian,	1	do.
" 25	Seventh St. above Market,	2	Present.
" 26	Alarm, Boxes striking,	1	Out.
" 27	Seventh and Coates,	4	No alarm.
" 27	18th St. below Market,	2	Present.
" 27	Alarm, Fire in Jersey,	1	Out.
" 27	Second St. below Reed,	1	No alarm.
" 28	James St. below Eighth,	1	Out.
" 30	Alarm, Fire in Montgomery County,	3	do.

FIRST ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select
and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing ordinances, re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the fires that I have attended during the quarter, ending September 30, 1858, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Respectfully yours,
W. E. STANCLIFF,
Engineer of the First Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this second day of October, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dts.	REMARKS.
July 1	Haverford Road and Lancaster Pike,	7	Not alarmed.
" 4	Alarm,	3	Out.
" 4	16th and Hamilton Sts.,	3	do.
" 5	S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	do.
" 5	Queen St. below Front	1	Present.
" 5	Webb's Alley below Race,	2	No alarm.
" 5	S. E. cor. of 11th and Market,	2	Out.
" 5	N. W. cor. of 8th and Wood,	3	Not alarmed.
" 5	9th St. above Race,	3	Out.
" 5	Thirteenth Street above Race,	3	do.
" 5	S. E. Cor. of 12th and Green,	3	No alarm.
" 5	8th Street above Buttonwood,	3	do.
" 6	Rodman Street above 10th,	1	Out.
" 6	Barker Street above 16th,	2	Present.
" 7	Grey's Ferry Road,	1	do.
" 7	Second Street near Catharine,	1	do.
" 7	Alarm,	7	No alarm.
" 7	Coates St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	do.
" 8	Garden Street near Wood,	3	do.
" 9	Race St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	2	do.
" 9	Chimney, New Market and Pegg,	3	do.
" 10	Comb's Alley below Second,	2	do.
" 10	Ninth above Wood,	3	do.
" 10	Alarm, bonfire Broad and Primo,	1	Present.
" 10	On the Delaware south of the City,	1	Out.
" 12	Buttonwood below Twelfth,	3	No alarm.
" 16	Ridge Road and Washington,	4	do.
" 16	S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	Present.
" 17	Barker St. above 17th,	2	Out.
" 18	Hancock St. above Phoenix,	4	Present.
" 22	Vine St. below 11th,	3	Not alarmed.
" 22	Chimney, Seventh and Sansom,	2	do.
" 22	Eighth St. below Arch,	2	Sick.
" 22	Third St. near Buttonwood,	3	do.
" 23	Front St. near Moore,	1	do.
" 23	Howard St. near Market,	2	do.
" 23	Manayunk,	6	do.
" 23	Race St. below Sixth,	2	do.
" 25	Seventh above Poplar Sts.,	4	do.
" 25	Main and Washington Sts.,	6	do.
" 25	Thompson St. above 15th,	4	do.
" 26	Eleventh St. above Cherry,	2	do.
" 26	Alarm, Duke and Marlborough,	4	do.
" 26	Culvert St. above Poplar,	4	do.
" 27	Second St. below Chestnut,	2	do.
" 27	Pearl below Broad,	3	do.
" 28	Haydock below Front,	4	do.
" 29	Raspberry Alley below Race,	2	do.
" 29	N. W. cor. of 10th and Market,	2	do.
" 30	Hyde's Court,		do.
Aug. 1	Alarm, Fire in Norristown,	3	do.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
Aug.	1 Twenty-fifth and Brown,	4	Sick.
"	1 Water St. near Vine,	3	do.
"	6 Second St. near Nicetown Lane,	5	do.
"	8 Norris St. below Frankford Road,	4	do.
"	8 Tenth and Ridge Road,	3	do.
"	8 Frankford,	5	do.
"	10 17th and Catharine,	1	do.
"	10 Noble St. west of Fifth,	3	do.
"	10 Alarm,	1	do.
"	10 Alarm,	1	do.
"	13 Shippen and Swanson,	1	Present.
"	13 Alarm, above fire,	1	do.
"	14 Allen St. near Shackamaxon,	4	Out.
"	15 East side of 8th below Poplar,	4	do.
"	16 Alarm, from Box 4,	1	do.
"	18 Rear of 4th above Brown,	4	Not alarmed.
"	19 Biddle St. between 23rd and 24th,	3	Present.
"	19 Alarm, Pot of Tar 11th and Arch,	2	Out.
"	20 Cadwalader above Phoenix,	4	do.
"	22 N. E. cor. of Farr and Mayland,	3	No alarm.
"	23 Eleventh St. above Arch,	2	do.
"	23 7th Street above Poplar,	4	do.
"	23 N. W. cor. of Ninth and Chestnut,	2	Out.
"	23 Fifth and Germantown Road,	4	Not alarmed.
"	24 West side of 4th below Coates,	4	do.
"	29 Lancaster Pike near Toll Gate,	7	Out.
"	31 Whitehall St. between Thirteenth and Broad,	3	Present.
"	31 Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	No alarm.
Sept.	1 West side of 9th below Race,	2	do.
"	2 Carlton St. between 15th and 16th Sts.,	3	do.
"	3 Second St. below Dock,	2	Present.
"	4 Shippen St. above Eighteenth,	1	No alarm.
"	5 2217 Clayton St.,	3	do.
"	8 On the Delaware near Torrisdale,	5	do.
"	8 Chimney, Front and Christian,	1	Present.
"	8 Queen St. near Second,	1	do.
"	8 S. E. cor. 8th and Noble,	3	At the ab. fire.
"	9 Ridge Avenue near Spring Garden,	3	Not alarmed.
"	12 Olive St. near Broad,	4	Out.
"	12 Coates St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	do.
"	14 Chimney, Swanson above Christian,	1	Present.
"	15 Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Not alarmed.
"	16 Callowhill St. near 25th,	3	do.
"	16 On the Wissahikon.	6	do.
"	17 Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
"	18 Garden and Noble St.,	3	Present.
"	19 Reed Street Wharf,	1	do.
"	19 23rd and Hamilton,	3	At the ab. fire.
"	19 Juliann St. above Wood,	3	do.
"	19 Chimney, Twelfth and Poplar,	4	No alarm.
"	20 Twenty-fifth and Brown Sts.,	4	Out.
"	20 Alarm, Western District Bells,	3	No alarm.
"	22 Township Line near Wissahikon,	6	do.
"	23 Germantown Road near Calumbia,	4	Out.
"	23 Alarm, light North West,	3	do.
"	24 S. E. cor. of Frankford Road and Deal,	4	do.
"	24 Germantown Road and Chatham,	4	do.
"	24 Manayunk,	6	Not alarmed.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
Sept. 25	Second St. above Christian,	1	Present.
" 25	Seventh St. above Market,	2	Not alarmed.
" 26	Alarm, Boxes striking,	1	do.
" 27	Seventh and Coates,	4	do.
" 27	18th St. below Market,	2	Present.
" 27	Alarm, Fire in Jersey,	1	Out.
" 27	Second St. below Reed,	1	Present.

SECOND ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select
and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing ordinances, re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the fires that I have attended during the quarter, ending September 30, 1858, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Respectfully yours,

DAVID M. LYLE,

Engineer of the Second Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this first day of October, A. D. 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
July 1	Haverford Road and Lancaster Pike,	7	Not alarmed.
" 4	Alarm,	3	Out.
" 4	16th and Hamilton Sts.,	3	Present.
" 5	S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	Not alarmed.
" 5	Queen St. below Front	1	Present.
" 5	Webb's Alley below Race,	2	do.
" 5	S. E. cor. of 11th and Market,	2	do.
" 5	N. W. cor. of 8th and Wood,	3	do.
" 5	9th St. above Race,	3	do.
" 5	Thirteenth Street above Race,	3	do.
" 5	S. E. Cor. of 12th and Green,	3	Not alarmed.
" 5	8th Street above Buttonwood,	3	Present.
" 6	Rodman Street above 10th,	1	Out.
" 6	Barker Street above 16th,	2	do.
" 7	Grey's Ferry Road,	1	do.
" 7	Second Street near Catharine,	1	Present.
" 7	Alarm,	7	Out.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
July	7 Coates St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Present.
"	8 Garden Street near Wood,	3	do.
"	9 Race St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	2	do.
"	9 Chimney, New Market and Pegg,	3	do.
"	10 Comb's Alley below Second,	2	do.
"	10 Ninth above Wood,	3	do.
"	10 Alarm, bonfire Broad and Prime.	1	do.
"	10 On the Delaware south of the City,	1	Out.
"	12 Buttonwood below Twelfth,	3	do.
"	16 Ridge Road and Washington,	4	No alarm.
"	16 S. W. cor. Front and Franklin,	1	do.
"	17 Barker St. above 17th,	2	Out.
"	18 Hancock St. above Phoenix,	4	do.
"	22 Vine St. below 11th,	3	Present.
"	22 Chimney, Seventh and Sansom,	2	do.
"	22 Eighth St. below Arch,	2	do.
"	22 Third St. near Buttonwood,	3	do.
"	23 Front St. near Moore,	1	do.
"	23 Howard St. near Market,	2	do.
"	23 Manayunk,	6	No alarm.
"	23 Race St. below Sixth,	3	Present.
"	25 Seventh above Poplar Sts.,	4	do.
"	25 Main and Washington Sts.,	6	No alarm.
"	25 Thompson St. above 15th,	4	Out.
"	26 Eleventh St. above Cherry,	2	do.
"	26 Alarm, Duke and Marlborough,	4	do.
"	26 Culvert St. above Poplar,	4	do.
"	27 Second St. below Chestnut,	2	do.
"	27 Pearl below Broad,	3	No alarm.
"	28 Haydock below Front,	4	Present.
"	29 Raspberry Alley below Race,	2	do.
"	29 N. W. cor. of 10th and Market,	2	do.
"	30 Hyde's Court,	2	do.
Aug.	1 Alarm, Fire in Norristown,	3	Out.
Aug.	1 Twenty-fifth and Brown,	4	Present.
"	1 Water St. near Vine,	3	Out.
"	6 Second St. near Nicetown Lane,	5	do.
"	8 Norris St. below Frankford Road,	4	Present.
"	8 Tenth and Ridge Road,	3	Out of town.
"	8 Frankford,	5	No alarm.
"	10 17th and Catharine,	1	Present.
"	10 Noble St. west of Fifth,	3	Out.
"	10 Alarm,	1	Not alarmed.
"	10 Alarm,	1	do.
"	13 Shippen and Swanson,	1	Present.
"	13 Alarm, above fire,	1	Out.
"	14 Allen St. near Shackamaxon,	4	Present.
"	15 East side of 8th below Poplar,	4	do.
"	16 Alarm, from Box 4,	1	Out.
"	18 Rear of 4th above Brown,	4	do.
"	19 Biddle St. between 23rd and 24th,	3	Present.
"	19 Alarm, Pot of Tar 11th and Arch,	2	do.
"	20 Cadwalader above Phoenix,	4	do.
"	22 N. E. cor. of Farr and Mayland,	3	Out.
"	23 Eleventh St. above Arch,	2	Present.
"	23 7th Street above Poplar,	4	Out.
"	23 N. W. cor. of Ninth and Chestnut,	2	Present.
"	23 Fifth and Germantown Road,	4	Not alarmed.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
Aug. 24	West side of 4th below Coates,	4	Present.
" 29	Lancaster Pike near Toll Gate,	7	do.
" 31	Whitehall St. between Thirteenth and Broad,	3	do.
" 31	Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
Sept. 1	West side of 9th below Race,	2	Present.
" 2	Carlton St. between 15th and 16th Sts.,	3	do.
" 3	Second St. below Dock,	2	do.
" 4	Shippen St. above Eighteenth,	1	No alarm.
" 5	2217 Clayton St.,	3	do.
" 8	On the Delaware near Torrisdale,	5	do.
" 8	Chimney Front and Christian,	1	Out.
" 8	Queen St. near Second,	1	do.
" 8	S. E. cor. Sth and Noble,	3	Present.
" 9	Ridge Avenue near Spring Garden,	3	do.
" 12	Olive St. near Broad,	4	do.
" 12	Coates St. Wharf, Schuylkill,	4	Out.
" 14	Chimney, Swanson above Christian,	1	do.
" 15	Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	do.
" 16	Callowhill St. near 25th,	3	Not alarmed.
" 16	On the Wissahikon.	6	do.
" 17	Alarm, Fairmount Engine's Bell,	3	Out.
" 18	Garden and Noble St.,	3	Present.
" 19	Reed Street Wharf,	1	do.
" 19	23rd and Hamilton,	3	At next fire.
" 19	Julian St. above Wood,	3	Present.
" 19	Chimney, Twelfth and Poplar,	4	Out.
" 20	Twenty-fifth and Brown Sts.,	4	Present.
" 20	Alarm, Western District Bells,	3	Out.
" 22	Township Line near Wissahikon,	6	Not alarmed.
" 23	Germantown Road near Columbia,	4	Present.
" 23	Alarm, light North West,	3	Out.
" 24	S. E. cor. of Frankford Road and Deal,	4	Present.
" 24	Germantown Road and Chatham,	4	do.
" 24	Manayunk,	6	No alarm.
" 25	Second St. above Christian,	1	do.
" 25	Seventh St. above Market,	2	Present.
" 26	Alarm, Boxes striking,	1	No alarm.
" 27	Seventh and Coates,	4	do.
" 27	18th St. below Market,	2	Present.
" 27	Alarm, Fire in Jersey,	1	Out.
" 27	Second St. below Reed,	1	Present.

THIRD ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select
and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing ordinances, re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the fires that I have attended during the quarter, ending

September 30, 1858, also with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Respectfully yours,

W. H. LOUGHEAD,

Engineer of the Third Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this first day of October, A. D., 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,

Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
July	3 Alarm, caused by fire at Gloucester,	5	Out.
"	5 Above Holmesburg,	5	Present.
"	7 Second Street near Catharine,	1	do.
Aug.	6 Second Street near Nicetown Lane,	5	Out.
"	8 Frankford,	5	Present.
"	8 Alarm, (same fire,)	5	do.
"	19 Twenty-fourth and Biddle,	3	do.

FOURTH ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select
and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing ordinances, re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the fires that I have attended during the quarter, ending September 30, 1858, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Respectfully yours,

MICHAEL YOUNG,

Engineer of the Fourth Fire Division.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this first day of October, A. D. 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
July 7	Second Street above Catharine,	1	Present.
" 18	Germantown, (Main and Washington,)	6	do.
Aug. 2	Mechanic Street,	6	do.
" 20	Biddle Street, bet. 23d and 24th,	3	Out.
" 31	Whitehall Street, bet. 13th and Broad,	3	Present.
Sept. 16	On the Wissahickon,	6	do.
" 22	Township Line, near Wissahickon,	6	do.

FIFTH ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Members of the Select
and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Agreeably to existing Ordinances, re-organizing the Fire Department of the City of Philadelphia, I herewith transmit to your honorable bodies a list of the fires that I have attended during the quarter, ending September 30, 1858, and with the cause of absence from those I did not attend.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN GIVEN,
Engineer of the Fifth Fire District.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this first day of October, A. D. 1858.

WILLIAMS OGLE,
Alderman.

DATE.	FIRES.	Dis.	REMARKS.
July 1	Haverford Road and Lancaster Pike,	7	Present.
" 5	S. E. cor. of 11th and Market,	2	Out
" 26	Thompson Street above Fifteenth,	7	do.
Aug. 19	Biddle Street, bet. 23d and 24th,	3	Present.
" 23	N. W. cor. Ninth and Chestnut,	2	Out.
" 29	Lancaster Pike, near Toll Gate,	7	Present.
Sept. 27	Eighteenth St. below Market,	2	do.
" 30	Alarm, light south west,	7	Out.

APPENDIX No. 122.

CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT.

CITY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
 Philadelphia, October 7, 1858. }

*To the Select and Common Councils
 of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave most respectfully to call your attention to the fact that there is lying in the hands of the City Treasurer, thirty-six thousand seven hundred dollars, (\$36,700,) belonging to the Sinking Fund created for the extinguishment of the Loan of Ten Millions. This amount has been unproductive since January 1, 1857.

Included in the statement of the amount of the public debt maturing January 1, 1857, was seventy-five thousand dollars of the debt of the District of Spring Garden, of which the Sinking Fund of said District held thirty-six thousand seven hundred dollars, which was cancelled by order of Councils, and no claim for the amount can come against the City; therefore, it should be put under the control of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, for reinvestment in City Loan, according to law, or to be used in the payment of the debt now due.

In proof that this amount was taken from the "Sinking Fund of Ten Millions," you are respectfully referred to the Ordinance of December 27, 1857, page 343 of the Ordinances of 1857, by which an appropriation is made for Loans due January 1, 1857, by a sale of City Loans, to yield

\$137,491 55

The Loan maturing at that date was as follows:

Phila. City, 5 per ct.,	\$52,700 less \$7,300, S. Funds,	\$45,400 00	
Sp. Garden, 6 "	75,000 " 36,700, "	38,300 00	
Kens'gton, 6 "		8,100 00	
Southwark, 6 "		6,000 00	
Richmond, 6 "		2,991 55	\$100,791 55

Excess of appropriation,

\$36,700 00

Very respectfully, yours,

GEORGE W. HUFTY,
City Controller.

APPENDIX No. 123.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Communication of the City Controller, asking for an appropriation for Stationery for the use of the Department in carrying out the Resolution of Sept. 16, 1858, for examining all warrants countersigned and issued since Consolidation, and for the amount requisite to pay the salaries of clerks appointed under the Resolution of April 24, 1858, to examine the books of John M. Coleman and Peter Armbruster, formerly Receivers of Taxes: respectfully report the annexed Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
WM. NEAL,
D. L. BEIDEMAN,
O. THOMPSON.

Oct. 7, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the Department of the City Controller.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of two thousand and sixteen dollars and sixty-seven cents, bc, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of the City Controller, for the following purposes, to wit:

1. For Books and Stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars.

2. For the salaries of four clerks employed in the examination of the books of the late Receivers of Taxes, one

thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents.

SEC. 2. That warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 124.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance to whom was referred sundry bills from various parties, having carefully investigated them, and being satisfied that they are correct, respectfully report the annexed Ordinance, providing for their payment, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
WILLIAM NEAL,
D. L. BEIDEMAN,
GEORGE W. SIMONS,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
O. THOMPSON.

October 7, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the sum of three thousand and thirty-four and twenty-four cents, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the following claims, to wit:

1. Crissey and Markley, for printing and for bound

copies of the Act of Consolidation, four hundred and thirty two dollars and twenty-four cents.

2. Professor R. E. Rodgers, for post mortem chemical analyzations, three hundred dollars.

3. Leonard B. Wales, for legal services in the State of Delaware, two hundred dollars.

4. Thomas LeSage, for chiming the Bells of St. Stephen's Church, on the Fourth of July 1858, twenty dollars.

5. A. S. Noe, for four new desks for Common Council Chamber, fifty-two dollars.

6. Marcus A. Davis, for four new chairs for Common Council Chamber, thirty dollars.

7. Thomas Craven, agent for Ridgeway Estate, for over-paid taxes on Assembly Building, two hundred dollars.

8. The City Treasurer, for interest on temporary loan, twenty-two hundred dollars; and for engraving steel plate of certificate of loan, four hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. That the City Controller be authorized to transfer in the appropriation made to the Law Department December 31, 1857; from Item 4, Sheriff's costs &c., to Item 5 for Blank Books and Stationery, one hundred dollars; to Item 6 for Printing, fifty dollars; to Item 10 for miscellaneous expenses, one hundred dollars; and to Item 11 for advertising, posting &c., one hundred dollars.

SEC. 3. Warrants for the appropriations contained in Section 1 of this Ordinance, shall be drawn as follows: Items 1, 5 and 6, by the Clerks of Councils; Items 2 and 4, by the Mayor; Item 3, by the City Solicitor; Item 7 and 8, by the City Treasurer.

APPENDIX No. 125.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, in accordance with a joint Resolution of Councils adopted September 23d

instructing them to prepare an Ordinance making an appropriation of \$8,916 90, for the payment of claims against the City arising out of the construction of the Eleventh District Police Station House, respectfully report the annexed Ordinance.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 WILLIAM NEAL,
 D. L. BEIDEMAN,
 GEORGE W. SIMONS,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 O. THOMPSON.

October 7, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation for the payment of claims for building the Police Station House of the Eleventh District.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of eight thousand nine hundred and sixteen dollars and ninety cents, is hereby appropriated to the Department of City Property, to pay claims against the City arising out of the construction of the Eleventh District Police Station House in the Nineteenth Ward, in accordance with the report of the Committee on City Property, September 9, 1858, to be found in Appendix of Select Council No. 132.

SEC. 2. Warrants for said appropriation shall be drawn in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 126.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
 of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred various petitions, resolutions, &c., respectfully

report the accompanying ordinance and resolutions, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 NATHAN W. ELLIS,
 ALEX. L. HODGDON,
 ALFRED DAY,
 STEPHEN BENTON,
 D. C. ENOS.

October 7, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To widen the footways on Moyamensing Avenue, from Greenwich to Mifflin Streets.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the widths of the footway on the line of Moyamensing Avenue, between Greenwich and Mifflin Streets, shall be twenty-five feet, any existing regulation or ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding; the increased width to be taken from width of carriage way as heretofore adopted, and that the same be duly recorded on the plans on file in the Department of Surveys.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Paving of Clinton and other streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Highways is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver or pavers, for the paving of the following streets, viz: Clinton Street, from Master to Putnam, in the Seventeenth Ward; Prime Street, from the River Delaware to Swanson Street, in the Second Ward; Twenty-first Street, from Shippen to South Street, in the First Ward; Thouron Street, from Diamond to Susquehanna Avenue, in the Nineteenth Ward; Wharton Street, from Tenth Street to Passyunk Road, in the First Ward; Twenty-second Street, from Callowhill to Spring Garden, in the Fifteenth Ward; and Brown Street, from Twenty-second to Twenty-fourth

Street, in the 15th Ward. The conditions of which contract shall be, that the contractors will collect the cost and expenses of said paving from the owners of property fronting on said streets, and the City shall be at no expense whatever. And that the contractors shall enter into an obligation to the City, to keep the said streets in repair for two years after the paving is finished, and that the water pipes be laid in said streets before the paving is commenced.

RESOLUTION

To open Fourth Street, from Oxford to Cadwallader Street.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby directed to give notice to the owners of property, through, and over which, Fourth Street, from Oxford to Cadwallader Street, will pass, that at the expiration of three months from the time of serving of said notice, the street will be opened for public use, as authorized by the seventh section of the Act of Assembly, approved April 21, 1855.

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the repaving of Gilbert and Northrop Streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to repave Gilbert Street, from Kessler to Tenth Street, in the Thirteenth Ward, and Northrop Street, between Spruce and Pine Streets, in the Seventh Ward; said repaving to be done with tramway stone in the track of the wheels, and if the cartway is wider than is necessary for a single track, the Commissioner is authorized to reduce the width thereof, so that an equal quantity be taken from each side.

RESOLUTION

Relative to Cleansing the streets of the City

Whereas, The contracts made by the Chief Commissioner of Highways, by authority of Councils, with sundry persons, for the cleansing of the streets within the several districts of the City, terminated on the 1st inst; and whereas, the Committee on Highways have deemed it unadvisable to contract again for the cleansing of the streets of the City, until after the first of January, 1859. Therefore be it

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized to hire men and carts, to be employed for cleansing the streets within the several districts of the City, under the supervision of the supervisors. *Provided*, however, that the wages of such men and carts shall not exceed the proportional sum paid as the contract price for the cleansing of the streets of the respective districts, for the year ending October 1st, 1858.

APPENDIX No. 127.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed several petitions, asking for privilege to construct Culverts at their own expense, having given the matter due consideration, present

the accompanying Bill, asking that it may be favourably considered.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
 SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
 MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
 N. NATHANS,
 ROBERT LUTHER,
 HENRY DAVIS,
 WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
 WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
 GEO. WILLIAMS.

October 6, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the construction of certain Culverts or Drains, on the line of Girard Avenue, Arch Street, Jefferson Street, Fifteenth Street and Race Street, in the Ninth, Tenth, Seventeenth and Twentieth Wards.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the property owners situated as follows, viz:

On Girard Avenue, between Eighteenth Street and Ridge Avenue, Twentieth Ward; on Arch Street, between Eighth and Ninth Streets, Tenth Ward; on Jefferson Street, between Seventh and Mifflin Streets, Seventeenth and Twentieth Wards; on Fifteenth Street, between Filbert and Arch Streets, Ninth Ward; on Race Street, between Eighth and Chester Streets, Tenth Ward; are hereby authorized to construct Culverts or Drains on, and along the streets upon which their several properties lie, as follows:

On Girard Avenue, from the Culvert at the intersection of Girard Avenue and Eighteenth Street westward, to the west side of Ridge Avenue.

On Arch Street, from the Culvert on Eighth Street at the intersection of Arch Street, westward, to the west line of Ninth Street.

On Jefferson Street, from the Culvert on Mifflin Street at the intersection of Jefferson Street, westward, to the west line of Seventh Street.

On Fifteenth Street, from the Culvert on Arch Street,

at the intersection of Fifteenth Street, southward, to the south line of Filbert Street, and,

On Race Street, from the Culvert on Race Street, at the intersection of Eighth Street, westward, to the west line of Chester Street.

To be of such form and dimensions as the Department of Surveys may prescribe, and to be constructed under the supervision of the Department of Highways. *Provided*, before the said Culverts are commenced, the parties who are hereby authorized to construct the same, shall respectively enter into a covenant with the City of Philadelphia, to build that upon which their property may be situate at their own expense, and upon its completion, to restore the pavement to its present condition.

SEC. 2. The said Culverts when completed shall become the property of the City without condition, saving and excepting, that should a permit to make a Drain to either of said Culverts above specified, be hereafter granted by the City, to a person or persons who have not contributed to the expense of constructing the Culvert to be tapped, then and in such case the parties constructing the same, under this Ordinance, are hereby authorized to demand of the person or persons to whom such permit may be granted, such part of the original cost thereof, not to exceed seventy-five cents per lineal foot on each side, as shall be proportionate to the frontage of his, her, or their property thereon; and in case of neglect or refusal to pay said sum, they may sue for, and collect the same. *Provided*, a certificate of approval and acceptance thereof from the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, and a statement of the actual cost of such Culvert shall have been filed in the Office of the Department of Surveys. *And Provided also*, that the annual charge or rentage only shall be paid, as is customary and specified in "Ordinance providing for the granting of permits to make openings into Common Sewers," approved May 3d, 1855.

APPENDIX No. 129.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the sureties offered by N. T. Baroux for the faithful performance of his duties as Commissioner of Markets, and respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
WILLIAM NEAL,
D. L. BEIDEMAN,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
GEORGE W. SIMONS,
GEORGE WILLIAMS,
JOSEPH S. RILEY.

Oct. 14, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of N. T. Baroux.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by N. T. Baroux for the faithful performance of his duties as Commissioner of Markets—to wit: Philip B. Mingle and Robert P. King—be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to draw the necessary bonds.

APPENDIX No. 130.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways respectfully report the accompanying Resolutions, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
STEPHEN BENTON,
D. C. ENOS,
JOHN M. FORD,
ALEX. L. HODGDON,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED C. HARMER.

Oct. 14, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Directing the revision of grades in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Surveys be authorized, and is hereby directed to revise the grade regulations on Bridge Street, from the Pennsylvania Railroad to the Wire Bridge; and also Lancaster Avenue and Market Street, between the Market Street Bridge and Thirty-third Street; with such contiguous streets as may be requisite and necessary for that purpose.

RESOLUTION

To repave and tramway Budd Street, in the Seventh Ward.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of High-

ways is hereby authorized to repave Budd Street, between Thirteenth and Juniper Streets, in the Seventh Ward, said repaving to be done with tramway stone in the track of the wheels; and if the cart-way is wider than is necessary for a single track, the Commissioner is authorized to reduce the width thereof, so that an equal quantity be taken from each side.

RESOLUTION

To notify the property owners on Haverford Street to grade footways, and to authorize the grading of certain streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Highway Department is hereby authorized to notify the owners of property on Haverford Avenue, from the eastern gate of the Pennsylvania Hospital to Forty-first Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, to have their footways graded. Also, that the said Department is hereby authorized to grade Lexington Avenue and Eagle Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, and to expend therein a sum not to exceed sixty dollars.

APPENDIX No. 131.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the petition to grade Bridge Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, respectfully report, that a Resolution was passed and approved March 22, 1858, appropriating four hundred and fifty dollars, provided said grading should not be less than seven thousand cubic yards, the estimated amount of grading to be done, which estimated amount it appears being far short of the actual amount,—there being

thirteen thousand yards instead of seven thousand yards,—the work was commenced, and proceeded with until seven thousand five hundred yards were excavated, and then abandoned, leaving five thousand five hundred yards yet to be graded, to enable the public to use said street. The street is at present in a dangerous condition, there being a bank of several feet in height at each end thereof.

We therefore ask the adoption of the accompanying Resolution.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
 STEPHEN BENTON,
 D. C. ENOS,
 JOHN M. FORD,
 ALEX. L. HODGDON,
 NATHAN W. ELLIS,
 ALFRED C. HARMER.

Oct. 14, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Making an appropriation to finish grading Bridge Street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Resolved, That the further sum of five hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to the Highway Department, to be paid to the parties to complete the grading on Bridge Street, from Thirty-fifth Street to the Wire Bridge, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

APPENDIX No. 132.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
 of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Police, having examined the several bills set forth in the following Bill

entitled, an Ordinance, &c., for repairs made to the Sixth and Tenth Police District Station Houses, by and under the direction of the former Mayor, (Richard Vaux,) find the same correct; they find further that the item of appropriation for repairs to said Police Districts were exhausted, and hence could not have been paid; in view of their settlement, they recommend the passage of the following Bill entitled, An Ordinance to make an appropriation to the Department of Police, for purposes therein mentioned.

CHARLES T. JONES, *Chairman*,
JOHN J. KERSEY,
AMOS CARSON,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
WILLIAM BRADFORD,
D. L. BEIDEMAN,
O. P. CORNMAN,
JOS. SHERMER.

Oct. 14, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to the Department of Police for purposes therein mentioned.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of eighteen hundred and ninety-eight dollars and sixty-one cents, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of Police, to meet deficiencies for repairs made to Sixth and Tenth District Station Houses for 1857 and 1858, previous to the organization of Councils in 1858, as follows:

For Sixth Police District.

Randolph & Ramsey,	Carpenter Work,	\$668 74
C. B. Cooper,	Brick Work,	308 22
Williams & Stokes,	Lumber,	207 63
Ford & Strode,	Plastering,	170 00
J. Johnson & Co.,	Plumbing,	129 82
William Barger,	Painting & Glazing,	125 00
James Mahon,	Gas Fitting,	74 32
J. T. Linnard,	Hardware,	61 86
W. Farres & Co.,	Iron Work,	63 20
W. H. Patton,	Paper Hanging,	33 39

David Brown,	Hauling, &c.,	21 63
Stevenson & Maris.	Lumber,	15 90
For Tenth Police District.		
Davis & Dolby,	Repairs,	19 00
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SEC. 2. That warrants for the above appropriation shall be drawn in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 133.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the Petitions of the Keystone Engine Company Eagle Hose and Relief Hose Company, asking to be admitted into the Fire Department, respectfully report adverse thereto, and ask the adoption of the accompanying Resolution.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
P. B. MINGLE,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
A. MCINTYRE,
O. P. CORNMAN.

October 14, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 134.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, report that they have had the application of the Washington Hook and Ladder Company, for admission into the Fire Department, under consideration ; would report adverse to the application, and would report the following Resolution.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman.*
WM. BRADFORD,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
A. MCINTYRE,
N. WALSH,
P. B. MINGLE,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
WM. J. GILLINGHAM,

Sept. 29, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 135.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the annexed Petition of

Messrs. Crispin, Outerbridge and others, asking that a certain bridge be repaired, in the Twenty-third Ward, on the road leading from Holmesburg to the Bustleton Turnpike; report the annexed Ordinance, authorizing the construction of a small bridge and the grading of a portion of the road, both of which will add greatly to the comfort of a large class of citizens who transact business in the City, and reside in that neighborhood on highly improved and valuable properties.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*.
 SAM'L. W. CATTELL,
 MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
 N. NATHANS,
 ROBERT LUTHER,
 HENRY DAVIS,
 WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
 WM. M. BAIRD,
 GEO. WILLIAMS.

October 6, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

For the repair of a small bridge and a road in the Twenty-third Ward.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the Department of Highways, under the supervision of the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, be, and is hereby authorized to make the necessary repairs to a small bridge on the Axe Factory Road in the Twenty-third Ward, immediately west of the property owned by A. E. Outerbridge Esq., by throwing a stone arch across, so as to make the same a substantial and durable structure, and also to grade so much of the road within a distance of five hundred feet eastward, as may be requisite for the proper repairs of said bridge; the cost and expenses of the said repairs shall be charged to Items 4 and 7, of the appropriation to the Department of Highways for the year 1858, *Provided*, the cost of said repairs and grading shall not exceed \$650, and shall be given out to the lowest bidder giving the necessary security, the Chief Commissioner of Highways receiving proposals for the same.

APPENDIX No. 136.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Surveys and Regulations, to whom was referred the Resolution, authorizing the continuation of the Survey and Regulations in Kingessing and Blockley; being fully advised of the necessity that the growing portion of our City area should so be laid out, preparatory to the advance of improvements, as to guard the City against liability of damages; return the Resolution with a recommendation that it receive the sanction of Councils.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
N. NATHANS,
ROBERT LUTHER,
HENRY DAVIS,
WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.,
WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
GEORGE WILLIAMS,
CHARLES A. RUBICAM.

October 6, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

To proceed with the Survey and Regulations of a portion of the late Township of Kingessing and Blockley.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Surveys be authorized, and is hereby directed to proceed with the sur-

vey of line and grade regulations, of so much of the late Township of Kingsessing as lies eastwardly of the Darby Plank Road and northerly of the Island Road; and also, the unsurveyed portion of the late Township of Blockley, as lies south of Market Street.

APPENDIX No. 137.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the Petition of James Morrison, M. D., William Maule, Thomas Price, Allamont Phillips, Esq., Crissey & Markley, and Frederick W. Binder, beg leave to report, that they have given their careful attention to the claims of each of the above named claimants, and believe their several claims to be just and meritorious. They therefore report the following Ordinance, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WM. L. DENNIS, *Chairman*,
JOSEPH MANUEL, JR.,
ABRAM NIPPES,
O. P. CORNMAN,
A. MCINTYRE,
D. C. ENOS,
WM. NEAL.

Oct. 14, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay certain claims against the City of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the sum of four thousand three hundred and seventeen dollars and thirteen cents, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the following claims, to wit:

1. To James Morrison, M. D., for services as Vaccine Physician for the 21st Ward, in 1856, fifty dollars.

2. To William Maule, for use and occupation of lot of ground on Chestnut Street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third Streets, from the 28th of November, 1857, to the 13th of January, 1858, and for registered taxes against said lot, paid by Mr. Maule, five hundred and thirty-eight dollars.

3. To Thomas Price, for Books, Stationery, &c., furnished the Court of Quarter Sessions, the Court of Common Pleas, the District Courts, the Supreme Court, and the County Commissioners' Office, from August 14, 1856, to February 15, 1858, two thousand and forty-three dollars and twenty-four cents.

4. To J. Altamont Phillips, Esq., for compiling Digest for the Board of Health, two hundred dollars.

5. To Crissey & Markley, for binding, lettering, &c., 500 copies of Digest, with Rules, Regulations, and By-Laws of the Board of Health, two hundred and fifty-three dollars.

6. To Frederick W. Binder, for services as Police Magistrate of the Fifteenth Ward, for 1857 and 1858, two hundred and thirty-two dollars and eighty-nine cents.

SEC. 2. That warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 138.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a Bill, entitled, “An Ordinance to make an appropriation to defray a part of the expenses that have been incurred in celebrating the successful laying of the Atlantic Telegraph Cable,” having had the same under consideration, and ascertained that the sum of eleven hundred dollars has been raised by private subscription, and that a balance of six hundred dollars remains to be paid, respectfully report the annexed ordinance, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
WM. NEAL,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
O. THOMPSON.

October 21, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to defray a part of the expenses that have been incurred in celebrating the successful laying of the Atlantic Telegraph Cable.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of six hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of expenses incurred under the supervision of the Joint Committee of Councils, appointed on the 26th day of August last, to make arrangements for the celebration of the successful laying of the Atlantic Telegraph Cable.

SECT. 2. Warrants for the payment of the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Clerks of Councils, in the

manner and form, and with the requisites prescribed in existing ordinances for the issuing of warrants for the payment of money by the City Treasurer.

APPENDIX No. 139.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, having had under consideration the subject of additional legislation, in regard to the various Departments, to facilitate the perfect working of the Department of the City Controller, respectfully report the annexed Ordinances, and ask their adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.
THOMAS POTTER,
WILLIAM NEAL,
GEORGE W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
O. THOMPSON.

Oct. 21, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To define more particularly the duties of the several Departments of the City Government.

SECTION. 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the City Commissioners, the Board of Guardians of the Poor, the Chief of the Highway Department, the Mayor of the City, the Clerks of Councils, the Chief Engineer of the Water Department, the City Treasurer, the Commissioner of City Property, the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, the Commissioner of Market

Houses, the Board of Health, the Superintendent of Trusts, the Superintendent of Girard Estates, the Trustees of the City Ice Boat, the City Solicitor, and every agent of the City of whatever kind or degree so-ever, empowered to make contracts of any kind whatsoever, whether said head of a Department, or agent, be named specifically in this Ordinance, or not; shall within ten days after the first day of January of each and every year, after the passage of this Ordinance, file in the office of the City Controller, a statement of all claims against his Department and due by the City of Philadelphia; said statement to be made out in detail—stating the name and business locality of the claimant, for what purpose the bill was contracted; if for labor or materials, what the nature of the materials, where, and when the labor was performed; if on account of a contract, the name of the parties to the contract, if said contract, is completed or not, how much has been paid on account thereof and how much remains to be paid, and give all and every information in his power, to enable the said Controller to make out for presentation to Councils, an accurate statement of the indebtedness of the City of Philadelphia at the commencement of each fiscal year.

SEC. 2. Any Department, head of Department, or agent of the City, who shall place in the hands of the City Solicitor any claim or claims of said Department for, or on account of the City, to be by him sued out for the use of the City, shall within five days after placing a statement of said claim or claims in the hands of the Solicitor, file a copy of the same, with a copy of all papers relating thereto, in the Department of the City Controller, said papers or statements shall show when the said claim was charged, against whom it was charged, for what services it is made, whether or not it is to be entered upon any property as a lien, if so, where such property is located, and all necessary information to enable the Controller's Department to keep a clear and perfect record of the same.

SEC. 3. The refusal or neglect of the head of any Department or of any agent of the City, to comply with the first or second section of this Ordinance, shall be deemed a misdemeanor in office, and the parties neglecting or refusing to comply with the same, shall be fined a sum not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than five hundred dol-

lars; and when such person may have been elected by Councils, they may upon joint vote declare the position vacant, and proceed immediately to elect another person to fill the same.

AN ORDINANCE,

Requiring the City Solicitor to perform certain duties.

The Select and Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the City Solicitor, from and after the passage of this Ordinance, shall prepare and keep in his Department a docket, in which he shall keep a correct statement of each and every claim of the City committed to his Department. The said claims shall be numbered seriatim upon said docket, and a statement made thereupon of all facts relating thereto, the names of the party against whom said claim or claims are made, the date, and the nature of the services rendered; from what Department the same issued and the amount; and when liens are entered up, he shall describe the property, and its location, in which said liens shall have been entered.

In cases of claims made against the City, the same shall be entered in like manner with all particulars relating thereto upon said docket, and numbered in like manner as aforesaid; if suit is brought upon the warrants of the City, the entry shall show the date and number of said warrants, to whom issued, and from what Department issuing. In all cases where settlements are made by the Solicitor, and within five days thereafter, he shall notify the Controller of the same, stating how, and for what consideration, said settlements have been made. The said Solicitor shall have said docket made up as early as practicable, and include therein all cases now in his hands or which may hereafter be placed therein, and on or before the first day of January 1859, he shall file in the Department of the City Controller a certified copy of the entries upon said docket, with the numbers thereof, and when said Solicitor shall collect and pay into the Treasury any claim or claims, or any portion

thereof his report of the same to the Controller's Department shall be made in detail, showing what claim has been paid in part or in full, how much has been collected for costs, and how much interest, and referring the Controller to the docket number of said claim; it shall also be the duty of the Solicitor to report to Councils, at their first meetings in January and July, a statement of the condition of his docket, showing what claims of the City are yet outstanding, what liens have been entered up and are yet uncollected, what judgments have been obtained for the use of the City, and as far as possible exhibit the expected revenue on his Department for the coming six months, as based upon the cases recorded in his docket.

AN ORDINANCE,

To define the duties of the Aldermen of the City of Philadelphia.

SEC. 1. The Select and Common Council of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that each and every Alderman of the City of Philadelphia shall, within five days from the passage of this Ordinance, file in the Department of the City Controller, a copy of the certificate of his election, together with a statement of when his term of office commenced and will expire, where his office is located, and in case of any change in his location he shall within five days after said change notify the Controller of the same; it shall be the duty of any and every Alderman elected after the passage of this Ordinance, to file within five days after receiving his certificate of election, a copy of the same in the Department of the City Controller, and send therewith such statements as are herein required of Aldermen now in office, and notify said Controller, as herein before recited, of any and every change in the locality of his office; said Aldermen shall report once a month to the City Controller whether or not they have collected and paid over to the City Treasury any fines, costs, and penalties payable thereto; said report shall state in detail the respective amount of

costs, fines, or penalties; and it shall also be the duty of said Aldermen to deposit at least once in each month, in the City Treasury, all money or sums of money belonging to the City. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances conflicting with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

AN ORDINANCE

Further defining the duties of the City Commissioners.

SEC. 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that it shall be the duty of the City Commissioners, within fifteen days from the expiration of the time fixed by law for the hearing of appeals from the assessments as returned, to file in the Department of the City Controller a certified copy of all allowances made from the assessments as returned; said statements shall show the locality of the property assessed, in whose name it is returned, the amount of the original assessment as returned in the duplicate, the amount of the allowance, and the amount remaining upon which the taxes are to be levied; they shall also state the amount of the duplicate as returned to them, the total amount of the allowances, and the amount of the duplicate after said allowance shall be deducted.

APPENDIX No. 140.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways beg leave

to report the accompanying Resolutions, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
WM. BRADFORD,
STEPHEN BENTON,
JOHN M. FORD,
D. C. ENOS,
ALEX. L. HODGDON,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
THOMAS POTTER.

Oct. 21, 1858.

RESOLUTION

To Repave and Tramway certain streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to repave the following streets: said repaving to be done with tramway stone in the track of the wheels; and if the cartways are wider than is necessary for a single track, the Commissioner is authorized to reduce the width thereof, so that an equal quantity be taken from each side; viz: Brook Street, from Green to Buttonwood Streets, in the Eleventh Ward; Richard Street, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth Streets, in the Seventh Ward.

RESOLUTION

To Pave and Tramway Fennimore Street.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Highways is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver for the paving of Fennimore Street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward; said paving to be done with tramway stone in the track of the wheels; and if the cartway is wider than is necessary, the Department is authorized to reduce the width thereof, so that an equal quantity be taken from each side. The conditions of which contract shall be, that the contractor

will collect the cost and expense of said paving from the owners of property fronting on said streets; also, that the contractor shall enter into an obligation to keep the said street in repair for two years after the paving is finished.

RESOLUTION

To Grade certain streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Highway Department is hereby authorized to grade Clinton and Howard Streets, from Somerset to Cambria Streets, in the Nineteenth Ward, preparatory to the paving thereof, and to expend therein a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars; also, to enter into a contract with a responsible person, to grade Haverford Street, from Thirty-third Street to Lancaster Avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, to its proper grade, preparatory to the paving thereof, at a cost not to exceed six hundred dollars.

RESOLUTION

To authorize notice to be given of the intended Opening of certain streets.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to give notice to the owners of the ground, through, and over which, the following named streets are laid out on the plan of the said City, that at the expiration of three months from said notice, Councils will order said streets, within the limits hereafter named, to be opened for public use, as they are authorized by the Seventh Section of an Act of Assembly, approved April 21, 1855, viz: Brown Street, from Corinthian Avenue to Twenty-second Street; Coral Street, from the point that it is now opened, northward to its intersection with the Frankford Road; and Lehigh Avenue, from Kensington Avenue to the Frankford Road.

RESOLUTION

To Pave Brown Street.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Highway Department is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver for the paving of Brown Street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Streets, in the Fifteenth Ward. The conditions of which contract shall be, that the contractor will collect the cost of said paving from the owners of property fronting on said street; also, that the contractor will enter into an obligation to the City, to keep the said street in repair for two years, after the paving is finished, and that the water pipes be laid in said streets before the paving is commenced.

APPENDIX No. 141.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia:*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee of Highways, to whom was referred the Petition in regard to the condition of the railroad track and flooring on northern section of Market Street Bridge, beg leave to submit a communication from Strickland Kneass, together with accompanying Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
WM. BRADFORD,
STEPHEN BENTON,
JOHN M. FORD,
D. C. ENOS,
ALEX. L. HODGDON,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
ALFRED C. HARMER,
THOMAS POTTER.

Oct. 21, 1858.

DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYS, }
Philadelphia, Oct. 21, 1858. }

CONRAD B. ANDRESS, ESQ.,
Chief Commissioner of Highways:

DEAR SIR:—I am called upon, from a personal examination of the Market Street Bridge, to state to your Department the necessity that the flooring and track-stringers of the northern section, used by the City Freight Railroad, should be at the earliest moment repaired.

The track stringers are at many points absolutely rotten, and entirely unfitted, not only to bear the weight that they are continually subjected to, but to hold the spiking necessary to secure the rail upon which the cars pass. The flooring is now so laid as to be injurious to the floor beams of the bridge, the protection of which should command the closest attention, as upon their sufficiency depends the security of the passing travel.

The rails are badly laid, the joints being so imperfect as to create a jar at each rail joint, which has an injurious effect upon the entire structure. The rails themselves are, for the most part, worn out, the edges having laminated, and in some instances exposing the centre stem.

I would suggest and recommend that the track-stringers be renewed entire with 10 by 12 timber, and that the intermediate flooring be laid on joist, so as to allow a free current of air around the floor beams; and that the present wrought iron T rails be replaced by the cast iron city pattern. The present condition of the bridge calls for your immediate action; and, as an approximate estimate of cost, I hand you the following:

16,600	feet B. M.,	3 by 12,	W. O. joist,	
35,000	“ “	3 in.	“ plank,	
6,700	“ “	2 in.	“ “	
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58,300	“ “	W. O. lumber,	at \$28 00,	\$1,632 40
22,200	“ “	W. Pine, 10 by 12, string-		
		ers, at \$23 00		510 60

60,000 lbs. cast iron rail, at $2\frac{1}{4}$ cts.,	\$1,350 00
500 " clinch spikes, at 5 cts.,	25 00
600 " joint plates, at $4\frac{1}{2}$ cts.,	27 00
20 kegs 5 in. spikes, at \$4 00,	80 00
5 " 4 " " " " "	20 00
Workmanship,	755 00
	<hr/>
	\$4,400 00

By exchanging the old wrought rails at market price, in part payment for cast rails furnished, I think over \$500 might be deducted from the item of cast iron rails, thereby reducing the amount above noted, to \$3,900. And it may be possible that some of the planking now in place may be used again, but what quantity I cannot now determine.

Very respectfully,

STRICKLAND KNEASS,
Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation for repairs to the Permanent Bridge.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways, &c., for the repairs to flooring and City Railroad track on the northern section of the bridge over the river Schuylkill at Market Street.

SEC. 2. That the Chief Commissioner of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized and required to advertise for proposals for all the old wrought or cast iron rails, frogs, &c., that may have been or shall be taken up from the City Railroad, as worn out or useless for the purpose intended, and sell the same to the highest bidder; the proceeds of said sales to be deposited with the City Treasurer.

APPENDIX No. 142.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POLICE.

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*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Police submit the annexed Ordinance, making an appropriation for building certain Station Houses, and ask its adoption.

CHARLES T. JONES, *Chairman*,
JOHN J. KERSEY,
AMOS CARSON,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
WILLIAM BRADFORD,
D. L. BEIDEMAN,
O. P. CORNMAN,
JOS. SHERMER.

Oct. 21, 1858.

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AN ORDINANCE.

To make an appropriation for building new Station Houses in the First and Ninth Police Districts.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the following purposes, viz :

Item 1. For building new Station House in the First Police District, comprising the First and Second Wards, the sum of ten thousand dollars.

Item 2. For building Station House in the Ninth Police District, comprising the Fifteenth Ward, the sum of ten thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. Warrants for payment of said appropriation shall be drawn in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 143.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, would respectfully report, that they have had under consideration, numerous applications for the removal of sundry Telegraph Boxes, and for the introduction of the Telegraph Apparatus in the houses of the Diligent Engine and Hope Hose Companies, and for the extension of the Telegraph on Germantown Road from Franklin Avenue to Diamond Street.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*.
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
WM. J. GILLINGHAM,
N. WALSH,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
A. MCINTYRE,
WM. BRADFORD,
W. W. SMEDLEY.

Oct. 21, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to defray expenses in the removing of certain Telegraph Boxes.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of two thousand four hundred and fifty-five dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the following purposes:

To place a Signal Box in the Hope Hose House, the sum of four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

To place a Signal Box in the Diligent Engine House, the sum of four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

To remove Box No. 17, from Twentieth and Lombard Streets, to Twentieth Street near the Western Hose House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove Box No. 62, from Frankford Road and Maiden Street, to Allen Street and Frankford Road, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove Box No. 51, from Fourth and York Avenue, to the pavement in front of the United States Engine House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove Box No. 56, from Broad and Race Street, to the Good Will Engine House, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

To remove Box No. 63, from Frankford Road and Franklin Avenue, to the William Penn Hose House, twenty-five dollars.

To construct the Fire Telegraph out Germantown Road to Norris Street, and two boxes at intermediate points north of Franklin Avenue, to be designated by the Committee, the sum of one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

And that the signal boxes at Eleventh and Anita Streets, in the First Ward, and Carpenter above Sixth Street, in the Second Ward, be reconstructed at an expense of not more than one hundred dollars.

SECT. 2. Warrants for the payment of the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Mayor. Upon the delivery of such warrants, countersigned by the Controller, to the City Treasurer, the said Treasurer shall issue and deliver to the person or persons in whose favor the same may be drawn, or to their order, certificates of City debt, to the amount expressed in such warrant, which certificate shall be such as are provided for and described in an Ordinance, approved August 23d, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the issue of certificates of debt, in payment of road damages, and to pay the contract price of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph," and the said certificates shall be a portion of those authorized by the said Ordinance to be issued.

APPENDIX No. 144.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the Communication from the Chief Engineer, reporting the Fairmount Engine Company for disorderly conduct and for inciting to riot on Monday, July 5th, during the fire in Ninth Street, between Race and Vine Streets, have, after a careful examination, ordered the case to be dismissed for want of jurisdiction, and would ask the adoption of the following Resolution.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
WILLIAM J. GILLINGHAM,
NICHOLAS WALSH,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
WM. BRADFORD,
W. W. SMEDLEY.

Oct. 21, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

APPENDIX No. 145.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the communication of the

Chief Engineer, reporting the Niagara Hose Company for inciting to riot on Monday evening, September 27, would most respectfully report, that after a hearing of the witnesses, they were unable to sustain the charge, and would respectfully report the following Resolution, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman.*

RICHARD V. BRENNAN,

WM. J. GILLINGHAM,

N. WALSH,

THOMAS P. NORMAN,

A. MCINTYRE,

WM. BRADFORD,

W. W. SMEDLEY.

October 21, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Reinstating the Niagara Hose Company into the Fire Department.

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be directed to remove the suspension of the Niagara Hose Company, so that they can resume their place in the Fire Department.

APPENDIX No. 146.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the Communication from the Chief Engineer, reporting the Franklin Hose Company for disobedience of orders, and for rioting on Sunday afternoon, June 20th, on Tenth Street, above Passyunk Road, would report that after a careful investigation of the charges preferred, they find the Franklin Hose Com-

pany guilty of rioting, and would ask the adoption of the following resolution.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*,
W. W. SMEDLEY,
RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
N. WALSH,
WM. J. GILLINGHAM,
A. MCINTYRE,
G. W. SCHOFIELD,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
WM. BRADFORD,
WILLIAM B. FOSTER, JR.

October 14, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Suspending the Franklin Hose Company.

Resolved, That the Franklin Hose Company be suspended for the space of one month from the passage of this Resolution, they having been found guilty of the charge preferred against them by the Chief Engineer, for riot and disobedience of orders.

APPENDIX No. 147.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POOR.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The joint standing "Committee on Poor" having been instructed by Councils "to investigate the circumstances attending the contract with John Jones, by the Guardians of the Poor," respectfully report, that they have given the subject matter referred to them, a prompt and thorough investigation.

In the examination of eighteen witnesses, the following facts were elicited.

That a number of bids were not endorsed according to

the advertisement for proposals, and in consequence were rejected, as alleged by the Secretary.

That the different parties bidding for the contract, had made bets of money among themselves, as to who would be the lowest; and, that some of the bids on the contract were as your Committee believe, bogus, and made for the purpose of winning bets, and with no view of furnishing the meat at the prices bid by them.

That the bid of John Jones, both for mutton and beef, was the lowest of the bids received by the Board of Guardians, and the contract was awarded to him according to law, as the lowest bidder.

In connection with the iniquitous practice of betting, "the supper at the Falls of Schuylkill," of which the members of the Board were wholly ignorant, came off after awarding the contract.

It was the unanimous testimony of the members of the Board, and others, that no "promise of a supper" on the part of John Jones was made to any member of the Board. The whole thing was done without any previous knowledge on the part of members of the Board; and those who opposed Jones getting the contract, as well as those in favor, attended the supper.

This matter of "meat contract," which has been made to assume, at this time, an appearance of fraud and corrupt management on the part of the Board of Guardians, dwindles down, on investigation, to the immorality of betting among the "bidders," and an impromptu supper by one of the winners, with all of which the Board of Guardians had no official connection.

It is unfortunately true, that, no matter which political party is in the ascendant in the management of the Alms House, the most marvelous stories are put in circulation concerning them, for the most part for political effect; especially on the eve of elections.

The second feature in this business may be thus stated:

At a meeting of the Board of Guardians, held subsequent to the one at which the contract was awarded, Mr. Jones addressed a communication to the Board, (a copy of which is herewith annexed) declaring, that he could not furnish the meat at his first bid of \$4 95 per hundred for mutton and \$4 38 for beef, without losing about eight thousand

dollars ; and asking the Board to give him \$6 25 per hundred for beef, and \$6 30 for mutton, which the Board of Guardians agreed to do ; and John Jones immediately entered into securities, for the faithful fulfilment of the contract at the prices last stated.

It was in evidence before us, that the Alms House was never better served with beef and mutton, than at the present time. That Jones was furnishing the "whole carcass," of mutton and beef.

The butchers who bid lower than Jones at the first awards were before us, and testified that they could not furnish the "whole carcass," as Jones was doing, at the prices bid by them ; but that they "would furnish in the usual way, by selling the choice meat in the market, and sending the rough pieces to the Alms House."

Your Committee think that the Board of Guardians, in this matter, committed an informality, and have thus laid themselves open to censure, in awarding the contract to John Jones in the manner in which they did. When Jones made known his desire to have the contract price increased beyond his first bid, the Board should have re-advertised for proposals, and placed all the bidders on an equal footing. It seems, however, that previous Boards had been in the habit of thus acting. The previous Board awarded the contract for the introduction of gas into the Alms House, to a party who were much above the lowest bidder. It has also been the habit of previous Boards to fix prices and award contracts without advertising for proposals at all.

Your Committee hope, that in the future, the action of the Board of Guardians in regard to contracts may be in strict conformity to law and justice.

In summing up this whole matter, your Committee have arrived at the following conclusions, to wit:

1. That the principal charges against the Board of Guardians in this matter have not been sustained by any evidence before us.

2. No evidence was produced which in the least manner would go to show that John Jones had used corrupt means to obtain his contract.

3. That the Board, in awarding the contract to Jones, acted informally, but not dishonestly, nor with corrupt intentions.

4. That the Board of Guardians have the legal authority to contract for any supplies for the Alms House, for which Councils have made appropriations by Ordinance. And that, as there was an appropriation to the item of "beef and mutton," when the Board entered into contract with Jones, that therefore the contract of the said Jones is binding on the City.

5. The Board of Guardians, (composed of three shades of political opinions, as it is,) with entire unanimity testified that Mr. Jones was furnishing the Alms House with beef and mutton better than ever before, and that it could not be furnished at lower prices, as Jones now furnished, in "the whole carcase."

Your Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE F. GORDON, *Chairman*,
JOHN R. GHEEN,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
JOHN R. SAVAGE,
JOHN G. SCHOCH,
JAMES MCCAHEN,
HENRY DAVIS,
D. C. ENOS.

Oct. 21, 1858.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Committee on Poor be, and they hereby are, discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

OFFICE OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR, }
Philadelphia, Oct. 6, 1858. }

The following communication was received from Mr. John H. Jones, and read, viz:

Philadelphia, August 30, 1858.

To the Guardians of the Poor:

GENTLEMEN:—The contract awarded to me to furnish the beef and mutton to the Alms House for the ensuing year, I shall be unable to fulfil at the prices mentioned in the proposals.

The cost of cattle and sheep at present will render it impossible for any contractor to do justice to himself and to you, at less than \$6 25 for the beef, and \$6 30 for the mutton.

There is but little prospect that cattle can be purchased at figures much lower than the present rates; and to fulfil the contract faithfully and honestly—which I shall do when it is closed—I shall lose from six to eight thousand dollars in cash, at the proposal prices. This result you, gentlemen, cannot desire. It is a sacrifice of my private means to the public treasury, which I am unable to make, and which no public body would be willing to accept. If, therefore, you will authorize the security to be entered, and the contract executed at the fair living prices above indicated, I am prepared to close the business at once.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN H. JONES.

I certify the above to be a true copy and extract of the Minutes of August 30, 1858, in this office.

I. R. DEACON,
Secretary.

APPENDIX No. 148.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance have for some time been deliberating upon the best method of placing the City Treasury in a position that will enable the Treasurer to meet all of the current indebtedness of the City, and relieve those parties, who hold warrants, from being speculated upon, and forced by necessity to dispose of their just claims at an unreasonable discount, which is regarded by all right-thinking men as a discreditable position for a City, whose wealth and resources are such as those of the City of Philadelphia.

The permanent loan, recently disposed of, has met the amount of temporary loans, and fills up fully the deficiency for which it was created.

The amount of Outstanding Warrants on October 1, inclusive, was,	\$470,000
The amount paid from 1st to 23d October, of said warrants,	294,000
	<hr/> \$176,000
Issued since October 1, about,	20,000
Balance outstanding,	<hr/> \$196,000
The payments therefore, for the month of October (temporary loan),	400,000
Warrants,	294,000
	<hr/> \$694,000
With various other items of payment,	45,000
Total,	<hr/> \$739,000

The tax levied for the year 1858, was about,	2,700,000
The amount received to this date (say October 28th),	1,400,000

Leaving one million three hundred thousand dollars less the discount to be collected. Ten months of the year have passed, and very little more than one-half of the taxes have been received.

The amount collected this year is about the same as last year to this date, notwithstanding the rate of taxation was fixed, and collections commenced seventy days earlier in the present year than in 1857.

The amount collected last year, from the 28th of October to the 15th of January, was \$929,888 07, and the Committee do not doubt but that an equal amount will be collected within the same period of time approaching. In view, therefore, of the promised ability exhibited by these figures, for the Treasury to meet all of its liabilities promptly by a temporary measure of relief, the Committee prefer—rather than take the course that has been suggested of stamping warrants to bear interest at 6 per cent. after being registered, to recommend to Councils, the creation of a Temporary Loan of \$500,000. Two hundred thousand to be used to take up all the warrants now floating, and from the receipts of the Treasury to continue to pay warrants as they may be issued, reserving the power to borrow \$300,000, or any part thereof, if the receipts at the Treasury shall not be sufficient to meet the interest on the funded debt, due January 1, 1859. They feel confident, unless their most reasonable calculations are defeated by unforeseen events, that they will in this way be able to meet all demands as they are made, and at its maturity to pay whatever temporary loan may be created. The Committee are of the opinion that in the present state of the money market, they can effect a temporary loan at a satisfactory rate of interest; and they feel it to be their duty to devise a plan by which the honest creditor of the City, who has rendered a fair equivalent in labor or materials, shall be promptly paid.

They most earnestly call upon the taxpayers to aid them in this effort by the prompt payment of their indebtedness

for taxes, which they regret to say is not being done at the present time.

The Committee, therefore, respectfully report the annexed Ordinance, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
ROBERT KELTON,
THOMAS POTTER,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
EDW. S. HANDY.

October 28, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE.

To authorize a Temporary Loan.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the City Treasurer, with the approbation of the Committee on Finance, be, and he is hereby authorized to borrow on the credit of the corporation such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current demands on the City Treasury, not exceeding in the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars, and redeemable at or within four months from the date of such loans; for which sums so borrowed, certificates of City debt shall issue in the form prescribed in existing Ordinances, bearing interest at the rate of not exceeding six per centum per annum, and which shall be transferable in the same manner as other certificates of City debt.

APPENDIX No. 149.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the sureties offered by Robert Neal, for the faith-

ful performance of his duty, as supervisor of the Twentieth Ward—

Respectfully report the annexed Resolution.

Signed by,

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman.*

THOMAS POTTER,

GEORGE W. SIMONS,

D. L. BEIDEMAN,

WILLIAM NEAL,

GEORGE WILLIAMS,

Oct. 28, 1858.

EDWARD S. HANDY.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of Robert Neal.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by Robert Neal as supervisor of Twentieth Ward, to wit: William Yerger and Andrew Brodie, be accepted, and that the Solicitor be instructed to receive their bond.

APPENDIX No. 150.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia:*

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee of Highways respectfully report the accompanying Resolution, asking a transfer of appropriation and request its adoption; also, report having had under consideration the Resolution, entitled, a Resolution to restore the name of Franklin Place to so much of

Hudson Street as formerly bore that name, that they deem it inexpedient to adopt the Resolution, and therefore report against the adoption of said Resolution.

Respectfully yours,

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
STEPHEN BENTON,
THOMAS POTTER,
D. C. ENOS,
ALFRED DAY,
NATHAN W. ELLIS,
GEO WILLIAMS,
JOHN M. FORD.

Oct. 28, 1858.

RESOLUTION

To transfer an item of appropriation.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sum of ten thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby transferred from Item 16, of an appropriation made to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing of the City; made January 18th, 1858, as follows, viz: seven thousand dollars to Item 4, repairing roads and unpaved streets, &c.; three thousand dollars to Item 9, cleansing and repairing unpaved streets, &c.

APPENDIX No. 151.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POLICE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Police beg leave to

report the annexed Resolution to make sundry transfers, and ask the adoption of the same by Councils.

CHARLES T. JONES, *Chairman*,
JOHN THOMPSON,
JOHN J. KERSEY,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
THOMAS P. NORMAN,
O. P. CORNMAN,

Oct. 28, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Transferring certain items of appropriation to the Department of Police.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that so much of the appropriation as was made to the Department of Police by Ordinance, approved December 31st, 1857, as shall amount to six hundred dollars, be transferred to the following accounts, viz:

From Item 1, "Salary of Mayor, &c.," one hundred dollars, to Item 9, "Meals and Medical Attendance."

From Item 1, "Salary of Mayor, &c.," one hundred and fifty dollars, to Item 16, "Incidental expenses, Portage and Porterage."

From Item 2, "Salaries of High Constables, &c.," three hundred and fifty dollars, to Item 18, "Acids and repairs."

APPENDIX No. 152.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUSTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Trusts and Fire Department, to whom was referred the Communication from

the Chief Engineer, reporting that he had suspended the Hope and Franklin Engine Companies for rioting, during an alarm of fire on Thursday evening, September 23d, and for endangering the lives of our citizens by running through the streets, when there is no necessity for their so doing; have examined five Police officers carefully and find that there was no ground for reporting the Companies for riot, but that there was sufficient evidence for the Chief Engineer in recommending a suspension, as it was clearly shown to the Committee, that the Companies are in the habit nightly of running to false alarms, and would recommend the following Resolution, and ask its adoption.

JACOB MOYER, *Chairman*.
 W. W. SMEDLEY,
 WM. J. GILLINGHAM,
 RICHARD V. BRENNAN,
 N. WALSH,
 O. P. CORNMAN,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 WM. BRADFORD,
 A. MCINTYRE,
 THOMAS P. NORMAN.

October 28, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Suspending the Hope and Franklin Engine Companies.

Resolved, that the Hope and Franklin Engine Companies be suspended for two months from the 23d of September, for running through the streets at false alarms of fire.

APPENDIX No. 153.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEYS AND REGULATIONS.

*To the President and Members of the Select and
 Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—Your Committee on Surveys and Regula-

tions, to whom was referred the annexed Petition of property holders on the line of Leiper Street in the Twenty-third Ward, asking for an adjustment of grades before their premises, have received from the Board of Surveyors a report in favor of the change asked for, the parties in interest having been before said Board and expressed their wishes in person.

We therefore present the Resolution attached, with a request that it may meet the approval of Councils.

ROBT. HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*,
 SAMUEL W. CATTELL,
 WILLIAM M. BAIRD,
 CHARLES A. RUBICAM,
 ROBERT LUTHER,
 O. H. P. PARKER,
 N. NATHANS,
 WM. B. FOSTER, JR.,
 MAHLON H. DICKINSON.

Oct. 21, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Directing a change of grade regulations on Leiper Street in the Twenty-third Ward.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Department of Surveys be, and is hereby directed to so arrange the grade on Leiper Street from Pine Street to natural depression near Unity Street, in the late Borough of Frankford, 23d Ward, so that there shall be a continuous descent on the South East side of said Leiper Street of $1\frac{1}{2}$ ft. per 100 feet, and on the North West side of same Street of 1 21-100 ft. per 100 feet, any existing Ordinance or Regulation to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPENDIX No. 154.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON POOR.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Poor have had under consideration a number of bills, contracted for by the Guardians of the Poor, and which have been lying over for some time. These bills have all been examined and signed by the proper Committees of the Board of Guardians, and are believed by us to be correct.

Your Committee suggest the propriety of passing these Bills at once, as longer delay may subject the City to numerous law-suits and unnecessary expense.

The following Ordinance, containing the Bills referred to, is herewith submitted, (copies of which may be found on Common Council File, No. 22.)

Your Committee have also had before them the Report of a sub-committee of the Board of Guardians, asking for an appropriation to erect a two-story stone building for manufacturing purposes. We have examined the plan, and have also viewed the proposed location, and heartily approve of it. The present work-shops are frames, and in danger of being destroyed at any moment, and are quite unfit for use. The only wonder is, that the proposed improvement has not been sooner erected. The stone will be quarried, and the principal part of the work done by the inmates of the Alms House. We also recommend the appropriation of \$400 asked by the sub-committee, for the purpose of purchasing tools, &c., for quarrying purposes. Herewith appended

will be found the Report referred to, all of which is approved, and respectfully submitted.

Yours, &c.,

GEORGE F. GORDON, *Chairman*,
JOHN R. SAVAGE,
JOHN R. GHEEN,
D. C. ENOS,
JAMES McCABEN,
STEPHEN BENTON,
S. SNYDER LEIDY,
HENRY DAVIS,

Oct. 28, 1858.

Philadelphia, October 5, 1858.

GEORGE F. GORDON, ESQ.,

Chairman of Com. of Council on Poor:

DEAR SIR:—The Committee appointed by the Board of Guardians of the Poor, to devise some plan for the better employment of the surplus pauper labor at the Alms House at Blockley, after having advised with your Committee, and being encouraged to expect whatever means were necessary for the attainment of the object named, made at the last meeting a Report, which was in substance as follows:

To erect, for manufacturing purposes, a substantial stone building, 180 feet by 50 feet, two stories in height, capable of holding 60 hand looms with their necessary appendages, 40 to 50 shoemakers' benches, together with paint and carpenter shops.

The estimated cost for stone work, lumber, carpenter work, hardware, lime, gravel, paint, glass, and roofing, \$2,250.

And further, we have upon the ground an excellent quality of building stone; and we are confident, that, with the help we have in the House, we can, before next summer, raise from six to eight thousand perches of stone, and have them boated across to South Street Wharf, where they can be sold at from 75 cts. to 85 cts. per perch, thus netting the sum of from \$5,000 to \$6,000, from that which is now a dead loss to the Institution. But we have not the tools, nor the means to purchase them, for quarrying purposes; and we would therefore ask, for this purpose, the sum of \$400, which, we consider, will be sufficient.

Having no other object in view than simply the discharge of our duty as members of the Board of Guardians of the Poor, seeking to further, by all means in our power, the best interests of the City,—and believing, from your intelligence and devotion to the public interest, you will at once appreciate and approve the importance of this matter, we would ask that you bring the matter before Councils, and urge the immediate passage of an Ordinance appropriating \$2,650 for the objects named.

Respectfully,

JAMES ARMSTRONG,
R. W. KENSIL,
WILLIAM BUDD,
JOSEPH F. McCLELLAN.

AN ORDINANCE,

To pay certain bills contracted by the Guardians of the Poor, in excess of the annual appropriation, and contracted for principally previous to July, 1858, and for the erection of a stone building for manufacturing purposes, &c.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that the sum of eleven thousand nine hundred and sixteen dollars and thirty-six

cents, be and is hereby appropriated to the Department of the Guardians of the Poor, to pay the following bills, to wit:

Mactier & Steel, for Coal,	\$21 75
M. Kelly, for Carriage Hire,	78 00
Hague & Sassman, for Carriage Hire,	87 04
J. M. Donnell, for Crackers,	32 24
Thomas J. Martin, for Wine,	254 75
N. H. Graham & Co., for Lard Oil,	163 04
G. W. Montgomery, for Coal,	48 01
Thomas J. Martin, for Sugar,	76 50
C. J. McNeil, for Water Cooler,	3 50
Harbert & Davis, for Lumber,	56 75
George Russell, for Lumber,	98 56
McGary & Kennedy, for Lime,	25 62
William Tate, for Leeching, Second District,	21 50
Thomas J. Natt, Agent, for Coal, Ninth District,	11 88
Arrison & Smith, for Sugar,	272 64
Arrison & Smith, for Vinegar & Rice,	104 61
Hood & Co., for Muslins,	183 32
John C. Baker & Co., for Drugs,	280 59
E. McGovern, for Crockery Ware,	14 50
B. Quigley, for Carriage Hire,	86 00
Washington Stables, for Carriage Hire,	84 00
William Kelly, for Carriage Hire,	85 00
Bernard Rourke, for Carriage Hire,	86 00
George Boon, for Blacksmithing,	71 62
Joshua Wright, for Groceries, Fifth District,	46 00
Francis D. Mower, for Salary and Office Rent, Tenth District,	85 00
George Frich, for Cupping, Seventh District,	46 00
R. H. Henderson, for Cupping and Leeching, Third District,	15 50
Jacob W. Anderson, for Cupping and Leeching, Sixth District,	10 00
James Galbraith, for Wood, Fourth and Sixth Districts,	21 70
Hague & Sassman, for Carriage Hire,	90 00
— Stuckert, for Carriage Hire,	85 00
William Green, for Crackers,	21 24
Thomas Shriner, for Brandy,	22 50
Henry Remmy for Stone Ware,	66 93
Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, for Brushes,	120 50
W. H. Smith, for Netting and Fans,	30 37
Charles Magrady, for Cupping and Leeching, Fourth District,	35 00
Francis McGuigan, for Coal, Fifth District,	26 10
R. & J. Attmore, for Groceries, Fifth District,	52 40
Lewis Lockard, for Leeching, Fifth District,	3 00
George Boon, for Blacksmithing,	8 71
Arrison & Smith, for Salt and Meal,	37 00
William P. Emley, for Whiskey,	30 75
William P. Emley, for Port Wine,	70 75
William M. Rex, for Porter,	22 50
Thomas E. Baxter, for Hardware,	29 42
Thomas E. Baxter, for Hardware,	93 08
S. C. Foulk, for Carpeting,	162 23
Jacob Anderson, for Cupping, Fourth District,	2 00
Robert Henderson, for Coal, Fourth District,	114 75
James Galbraith, for Wood, Fourth District,	120 75
Robert Henderson, for Coal, Fourth District,	11 25
A. L. Crawford, for Groceries, Fourth District,	51 87
C. Webster, for Cupping and Leeching, Fourth District,	20 00
Joshua Wright, for Groceries, Fifth District,	29 00

Henry Styer, for Coal, Fifth District,	94 17
Rachel Calvert, for Cupping and Leeching, Fifth District,	4 00
C. V. Schlater, for arrears of salary	110 41
James Lowery, for Burials and Hauling,	43 00
Thomas Carrick & Co., for Crackers,	31 26
J. Cadmus, for Boots and Shoes,	115 00
M. Henszey, for Board of Doctors,	32 00
S. Shelladay, for Leeching, Fifth District,	1 00
R. A. Jamison, for Groceries Fifth District,	113 00
J. W. Anderson, for Cupping and Leeching, Sixth District,	1 00
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Brown Sugar,	372 08
Landy & Uhler, for Sugar, Molasses, and Rice,	373 55
A. M. Grauel, for Roasting Coffee,	46 47
Landy & Uhler, for Crackers, Salt, and Barley,	74 05
Wills & Babbit for Salt,	18 50
Reeves S. Dyer, for Potatoes,	142 50
Jenks & Ogden, for Drugs,	284 58
Charles Shivers, for Drugs,	40 00
Garrigues & Magee, for Drugs,	7 70
W. Rex, for Porter,	22 50
James Sloan, for Porter,	22 50
John Stewart for Whiskey,	92 25
A. J. Harper, for Port Wine,	52 25
John Stewart, for Port Wine,	160 00
Morris & Jones & Co., for Hardware,	7 00
John Henderson, for Salt,	23 38
James Lowery, for Women's Lace Boots,	122 00
W. P. & G. W. Hacker, for Bowls,	18 00
Anspach, Reed & Co., for Muslins, &c.,	1,001 94
Andrews & Brother, for Muslins, &c.,	450 33
Burton & Laning, for Paper Hangings,	29 55
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Groceries,	87 75
Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, for Brushes,	117 00
John Ziegandus, for Balance of Coal Account of 1857,	34 30
Thomas E. Baxter, for Hardware,	273 81
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Balance Coffee,	12 62
J. M. Ellis & Son, for White Sugar,	116 58
J. M. Ellis & Son, for Sugar,	105 80
Total.	<hr/> \$11,916,36

For the erection of a stone two-story building on the Alms House grounds, for manufacturing purposes, \$2,650

For the purchase of tools, &c., for quarrying stone on the Alms House property, by the inmates, \$400

SEC. 2. Warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 155.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW.

To the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Law, to whom was referred an Ordinance, requiring the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to furnish the City Solicitor with measurements and descriptions of property, against which claims are to be filed, respectfully report back the Ordinance, with amendments.

WM. ROTCH WISTER, *Chairman*,
JOHN F. MASCHER,
WILLIAM C. KELLY,
W. L. DENNIS,
ROBERT HUTCHINSON.

October 28, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Requiring the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to furnish the City Solicitor with measurements and descriptions of property against which claims are to be filed.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, do ordain, that to enable the City Solicitor properly to describe any lot or piece of ground against which it becomes his duty to file a claim for registered taxes, or for curbing, paving, grading, laying pipes or culverts, or the expenses for removing nuisances by the Board of Health, or for any other expenditure by the City for which a claim may be filed, and a lien created by law, it shall be the duty of the City Solicitor to furnish the Chief Engineer and Surveyor with an account thereof, and the Chief Engineer and Surveyor to furnish the City Solicitor within twenty days after he shall be requested so to do, with an accurate measurement thereof, together with a precise description of its locality. And it shall be the duty of the Surveyor of the district in which said lot

or piece of ground is situate, to furnish the Chief Engineer and Surveyor with such measurements and descriptions whenever requested by him so to do, within ten days after being so requested; and the District Surveyors shall be entitled to one dollar for each and every description of lot or piece of ground so furnished; which amount shall be paid by the City Solicitor, and added to the bill of costs to be by him collected.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Board of Health in all cases where it may be requisite for them to perform any work, upon any premises, to be paid for by measurement of quantity, that, prior to the commencement of such work, they shall advise the Survey Department thereof, when it shall be the duty of said Department to direct such measurements to be made by the District Surveyor in whose District the work may be situate, as may be requisite to obtain the accurate quantity of work done, when the same shall have been completed, and when notified by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor that such work is completed, he shall proceed to measure the same, make out duplicate bills therefor, stating the items, inclusive of Surveyors' charge, hereafter noted, assessing the cost thereof to the several properties upon which said work may have been performed, and return the same to the Department of Surveys, within twenty days after said notice has been received; which bills in duplicate shall then be delivered to the Health Officer, who shall proceed in form, as prescribed for bills of paving, in Section 2 of Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance to regulate the manner of paving streets, &c.," approved May 3, 1855; excepting, that when the specified time may have elapsed after the delivery of said bills as so directed, and they remain unpaid, that they shall be remitted to the Department of Surveys, and proceeded with in manner set forth in Section 1 of this Ordinance, for the purpose of enabling the City Solicitor to file claims therefor, and collect the same according to law. The charges to which the Surveyors and Regulators shall be entitled for work so ordered, and which shall be paid by the City Solicitor, and included in bill of costs. filed by him, shall be as follows: for one hundred cubic yards or less, two dollars, and two cents for each additional cubic yard.

APPENDIX No. 156.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN :—The Finance Committee, having considered the sureties offered by John Abel, License Clerk in the Highway Department, and being satisfied that they are sufficient, respectfully report the annexed resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
WM. NEAL,
THOMAS POTTER,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.,

November 4, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the Sureties of John Abel.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by John Abel, License Clerk in the Highway Department, to wit : Lewis B. Taylor and Clarkson B. Davis, be accepted, and that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare and file the requisite bonds.

. APPENDIX No. 157.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom were referred sundry bills for expenses incurred in the contested election cases of the Second and Twentieth Wards in Select Council, and the Fifteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-third Wards in Common Council, having examined the same, respectfully report the annexed Ordinance for their payment, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
THOMAS POTTER,
WM. NEAL,
D. S. BEIDEMAN,
GEO. W. SIMONS,
ROBERT KELTON,
GEO. WILLIAMS,
JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

Nov. 4, 1858.

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AN ORDINANCE

To make an appropriation to pay the expenses of Contested Election Cases.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the sum of one thousand three hundred and sixty-one dollars and seventy-nine cents is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying expenses incurred in conducting the contested elections of the Second and Twentieth Wards in Select Council, and the Fifteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-third Wards in

Common Council, as appears from the records of the Committees of the respective cases, as follows :

In the Case of the Second Ward, in Select Council :

For Clerk and Messenger,	\$200 00
For fees and mileage of witnesses,	151 62
For serving subpœnas and attachments,	37 00

In the Case of the Twentieth Ward in Select Council :

For Clerk and Messenger,	\$175 00
For witnesses' fees and mileage,	157 17
For serving subpœnas and attachments,	46 83

In the Case of the Fifteenth Ward in Common Council :

For clerk, witness' fees, and mileage,	\$50 00
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In the Case of the Twentieth Ward, in Common Council :

For Clerk and two Messengers,	\$250 00
For witnesses' fees and mileage,	157 17
For subpœnas and attachments,	79 50
For printing and stationery,	7 50

In the Case of the Twenty-third Ward, in Common Council :

For clerk, fees, and mileage of witnesses,	\$50 00
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SEC. 2. Warrants for the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Clerks of Councils in conformity with existing Ordinances.

APPENDIX No. 158.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the proposed sureties of Charles Oat, Super

intendent of Trusts, having examined the same, respectfully report the annexed Resolution, and ask its adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 WM. NEAL,
 D. S. BEIDEMAN,
 GEO. W. SIMONS,
 ROBERT KELTON,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 JOS. S. RILEY, JR.

Nov. 4, 1858.

RESOLUTION

Approving the sureties of Charles Oat.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the sureties offered by Charles Oat, Superintendent of Trusts, to wit; Joseph Oat and Joel Reeves, be accepted, and that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare and file the requisite bonds.

APPENDIX No. 159.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the Select and Common Councils
 of the City of Philadelphia.*

GENTLEMEN:—The Finance Committee, having had under consideration several measures which promise to reform existing evils, and secure economy and safety in the administration of the several Departments of the City Govern-

ment,—respectfully report the annexed Ordinances, and ask their adoption.

W. P. HACKER, *Chairman*.

THOMAS POTTER,

WILLIAM NEAL,

GEORGE W. SIMONS,

ROBERT KELTON,

GEORGE WILLIAMS,

JOSEPH S. RILEY, JR.

Nov. 4, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE

Requiring the Departments to balance their books and furnish statements at the expiration of each and every fiscal year.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that the head of each Department of the City, and every agent of the said City, shall, on the first day of January, 1859, and at the expiration of each and every fiscal year thereafter, balance the books of his department, and draw off a balance sheet of the same; which, together with a statement of the claims against his department, as well as the unsettled claims his department may have against any party or parties, shall be deposited in the Controller's Department within five days after the date herein before mentioned. And upon the expiration of the term of office of any head of Department, clerk or agent of the City, he shall hand over to his successor in office his books, duly balanced, with the balances upon said books duly brought down to new accounts; and the new incumbent shall continue his accounts in same books until they shall be duly filled. And in the case of the retiring officer, agent, or clerk, neglecting or refusing to comply with this Ordinance, the Controller shall refuse to countersign warrants for salary for the month preceding the expiration of his term of office, until the stipulations of this Ordinance be complied with.

AN ORDINANCE

To further define the duties of the Receiver of Taxes.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that it shall be the duty of the Receiver of Taxes to report to the City Controller, at least once a month, the amount of the allowances made by him from the tax duplicate during the preceding month. Said Report shall state the amount of the original assessment, the location of the property assessed, in whose name it is assessed, the amount of each allowance, and the respective nett amounts upon which the taxes shall have been paid. Provided, however, that nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to alter or set aside the Reports he has heretofore made to said City Controller. It shall also be the duty of said Receiver of Taxes, within ten days after filing in the Department of the City Commissioner a return of the taxes to be registered, to file a copy of the same in the office of the City Controller. The said Receiver of Taxes shall also, within fifteen days after the first day of January and July of each and every year after the passage of this Ordinance, file in said Office a Report of the balances outstanding of the taxes, of each and every year since Consolidation, on the day up to which said Report shall be made, to wit: the first day of January or July, as the case may be.

AN ORDINANCE

Requiring the Sheriff of the County of Philadelphia to pay certain moneys, collected by him on account of the City, into the City Treasury.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that it shall be the duty of the Sheriff of the County of Philadelphia, to pay, at least once a month, into the City Treasury, all money collected by him, the said Sheriff, on account of the City, other than money collected on executions, or in satisfaction of judgments obtained for use of the City by the City Solicitor.

And said Sheriff shall report to the Department of the City Controller the amount of deposits so made, stating in detail the sources from whence said money shall have been derived. And the said Select and Common Councils do further ordain, that the City Commissioners shall not issue to said Sheriff any warrant or warrants in payment of services rendered to the City, until the stipulations of this Ordinance shall have been complied with.

AN ORDINANCE

To regulate the issuing of Warrants in part payment of contracts.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, that from and after the passage of this Ordinance, no head of a Department, clerk or agent of the City, empowered to draw warrants on the City Treasury, shall draw any warrant in part payment of any contract, or for any bill for labor or materials furnished under any contract, in any name other than that of the party to said contract. And each and every warrant drawn in payment or on account of any contract, or for any bill for labor or materials furnished under any contract, shall state on the face of said warrant the title of the contract in part payment of which it shall be drawn.

APPENDIX No. 160.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

*To the Select and Common Councils
of the City of Philadelphia:*

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Highways have di-

rected me to report the following Ordinance and Resolution, and ask their adoption.

JONA. BULLOCK, *Chairman*,
 THOMAS POTTER,
 ALEX. L. HODGDON,
 NATHAN W. ELLIS,
 ALFRED DAY,
 STEPHEN BENTON,
 GEO. WILLIAMS,
 WM. BRADFORD,
 D. C. ENOS.

Nov. 4, 1858.

AN ORDINANCE.

To make an appropriation to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City, to pay certain road damages, in certificates of City debt.

SECTION 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of three thousand five hundred and ninety dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and cleansing the City; for the purpose of paying, in manner hereafter mentioned, the following amounts assessed as damages for injuries sustained by the following named persons by the opening of streets, that is to say: to Crosby B. Morrison, the sum of \$1600 00; to C. F. Seybert, the sum of \$40 00; the several amounts assessed for damages sustained by the opening of Columbia Avenue, from Germantown Road to Cadwalader Street.

To Brown and Quain, the sum of \$1300 00; to Stevenson and Maris, the sum of \$150 00; the several amounts assessed for damages sustained by the opening of Moyamensing (late Jefferson) Avenue, from Greenwich to Mifflin Street.

To William Craig, Trustee for Burial Lot, \$500 00; the amount assessed for damages sustained by the opening of Moore Street, from the River Delaware to the western boundary of the late District of Southwark.

SEC. 2. Warrants for the payment of the said appropriation shall be drawn by the Chief Commissioner of High-

ways, and shall express that the same are payable in certificates of the City debt. *Provided*, that no warrant shall be drawn until the City Solicitor, upon the faith of proper certificates of Search, to be produced to him, shall certify that there are no liens or incumbrances against the property, to which the said damages have been awarded.

SEC. 3. When the delivery of any such warrants, countersigned by the Controller to the City Treasurer, as specifies that the payment of the amount therein contained is to be made in certificates of City debt, the said Treasurer shall deliver to the person in whose favor the same is drawn, or to his order, certificates of City debt to the amount expressed in such warrant, which certificates shall be such as are provided for, and described in an Ordinance approved August 23, 1855, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the issue of certificates of debt in payment of road damages, and to pay the contract price of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph," and the said certificates shall be a portion of those authorized to be issued by said Ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS

To authorize the paving of certain Streets, and grading at Girard Avenue
Twenty-fourth Ward.

Resolved 1. By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, that the Highway Department is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a competent paver, for the paving of Hare (late Pratt) Street from Twenty-second to Twenty-fourth Street, in the Fifteenth Ward; the conditions of which contract shall be, that the contractor will collect the cost of said paving, from the owners of property fronting on said street. The City to be at no expense for the same, and the water pipes to be first laid therein.

Resolved 2. That the Highway Department, is hereby authorized to repave and tramway Wheat Street, from Jefferson Avenue to Second Street, in the Second Ward; and Chatham Street, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth Streets in the Eighth Ward.

Resolved 3. That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to do the grading necessary around wing wall

at Girard Avenue Bridge, in the Twenty-fourth Ward; and to expend therein a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars.

Resolved 4, That the Highway Department is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with a responsible person, for the erection of a Culvert Bridge, over Creesham Creek at Hills mill in the Twenty-second Ward; said Bridge to be in accordance with a plan furnished by the District Surveyor, and to be built with stone; the arch to be twelve feet in width by forty feet in length; the contractor to build the wing walls, and do all the necessary grading &c., for the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars; the same to be paid when the contractor produces a certificate from said District Surveyor that the Bridge is completed, and the road in good travelling condition, out of Item 7, "for repairs made to Bridges," of appropriation made to the Department of Highways, Bridges, Sewers, and Cleansing the City.



